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Iraqi Foreign Minister Hoshiyar Zebari inspects damage to the ministry complex in Baghdad on Saturday after a deadly bombing struck the area Wednesday. Zebari said those who carried out bombings received help to pull off the attacks. He also warned Iraqis to prepare for more powerful attacks in the coming days.

Iraq investigating whether security forces aided bombers

BY SINAN SALAHEDDIN
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The suicide bombers who blew up explosives-laden trucks outside government buildings in Baghdad may have been aided by members of Iraq's security forces, the foreign minister said Saturday, even as the government insisted Iraqi forces could still protect the nation.

Anger is mounting over the security lapses that allowed the bombers to drive trucks past checkpoints and position them close to government targets that

included the foreign and finance ministries. Wednesday's attacks killed at least 101 people and wounded more than 500.

The violence has shaken confidence in a government eager to demonstrate that it can take over responsibility for the country's security from American troops, who withdrew from Iraq's cities nearly two months ago.

"We have to face the truth. There has been an obvious deterioration in the security situation in the past two months," Foreign Minister Hoshyar Zebari told reporters during a news conference at the damaged ministry building, which

was opened Saturday for journalists and some ministry employees to tour.

Zebari said the attacks were so well planned and executed that he would not rule out the possible collaboration of members of Iraq's security forces with attackers.

"We will investigate that," he said.

Zebari said the ministry was investigating how the trucks carrying the bombs were allowed to pass into areas where they are banned from traveling.

He also warned Iraqis to prepare for more violence.

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Report: CIA threatened detainee with death

**BY JOBY WARRICK AND
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The Washington Post

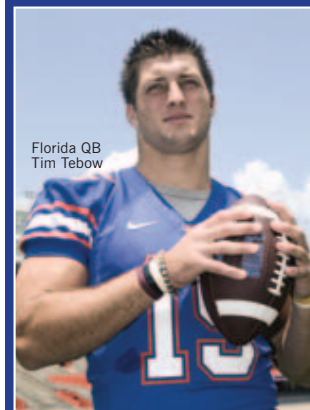
WASHINGTON — CIA interrogators used a handgun and an electric drill to try to frighten a captured al-Qaida commander into giving up information, according to a long-concealed agency report due to be made public this week, former and current U.S. officials who have read the document said.

The tactics — which one official described as a threatened execution — were used on Abd al-Rahini al-Nashiri, according to the CIA's inspector general's report on the agency's interrogation program. Nashiri, who was captured in November 2002 and held for four years in one of the CIA's "black site" prisons, ultimately became one of three al-Qaida chieftains subjected to a form of simulated drowning known as waterboarding.

The report also says that a mock execution was staged in a room next to one terrorism suspect, according to Newsweek magazine, citing two sources for its information.

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It's (almost) unanimous



Florida QB
Tim Tebow

Florida tops AP preseason poll with 97 percent of first-place votes

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QUOTE

OF THE DAY

"There is not a day that goes by that I do not feel remorse for what happened that day in My Lai"

—William L. Calley, the only former soldier convicted in the massacre of 500 Vietnamese men, women and children at My Lai in 1968

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From salvage to the seas: Ship made from 9/11 steel sails



CHERYL GERBER/AP

Navy Seaman Ben McDowell and other crewman get ready for a flag-raising ceremony after taking delivery of the USS New York in Avondale, La., on Friday. The New York was built with 7.5 tons of steel salvaged from the rubble of the World Trade Center.

CIA: Official says report listed interrogation violations

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The magazine was the first to publish details from the report, which it did on its Web site late Friday.

A federal judge in New York has ordered a redacted version of the classified IG report to be publicly released Monday, in response to a lawsuit by the American Civil Liberties Union.

The IG's report, written in 2004, offers new details about Nashiri's interrogation, including the incidents in which the detainee reportedly was threatened with death or grave injury if he refused to cooperate, one current and one former U.S. official told The Post. Both officials have seen classified versions of the report.

In one instance, an interrogator showed Nashiri a gun and sought to frighten the detainee

into thinking he would be shot, the sources said. In a separate encounter, a power drill was held near Nashiri's body and repeatedly turned on and off, said the officials, who spoke about the report on the condition of anonymity because it remains classified.

The federal torture statute prohibits a U.S. national from threatening anyone in his or her custody with imminent death.

Three months before Nashiri's capture, the head of the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel — Jay S. Bybee, now a federal judge — advised the CIA in an August 2002 memo that threats of "imminent death" were not illegal unless they deliberately produced prolonged mental harm. Independent legal experts have called that interpretation too hedged and thus too lax.

The CIA declined late Friday to comment on the contents of the report, but an agency spokesman noted that all the incidents described in the document have been reviewed in detail by government prosecutors.

"The CIA in no way endorsed behavior — no matter how infrequent — that went beyond formal guidance," said the spokesman, Paul Gimigliano. "This has all been looked at; professionals in the Department of Justice decided if and when to pursue prosecution. That's how the system was supposed to work, and that's how it did work."

Nashiri, who remains in U.S. custody at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, was the alleged mastermind of the 1999 bombing of the USS Cole, which killed 17 American sailors and nearly sank the

vessel.

A third former U.S. official who has read the full, classified report said that it contained an entire section listing ways in which the CIA and contracted interrogators had "gone beyond what they were authorized to do — a whole variety of deviations." The official said that what struck him most strongly was that the report suggested these techniques were "really not effective."

He said he concluded that "there has to be a better way to do this" but that the CIA resisted suggestions then that it should back away from the program. Asked why, the official said he could not say for sure, but he added that "maybe it was that if you change, then it means you were wrong" in pursuing the harsh interrogation methods in the first place.

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North Korean spy chief Kim Yang Gon, left, speaks with South Korean Unification Minister Hyun In-taek during their meeting at a hotel in Seoul on Saturday. Kim was part of a delegation visiting to honor former South Korean President Kim Dae-jung, who died last week.

South Korean president will meet with North's delegates

By KWANG-TAE KIM
The Associated Press

SEOUL — South Korean President Lee Myung-bak agreed to meet a visiting high-level delegation from North Korea on Sunday in what is likely to be a test of his 18-month hard-line policy against the communist country.

Relations between the Koreas have been largely frozen since Lee took office in February last year amid international tensions over the North's nuclear weapons and missile programs. Lee has not held talks with North officials since he became president.

The six North Korean officials visited Seoul to pay their respects following the death of former President Kim Dae-jung. Kim was widely admired by Pyongyang for his efforts to reconcile the two Koreas when he served as president from 1998 to 2003.

Lee's meeting with North Korea's spy chief and five other officials will take place at the presidential Blue House, Chun Hae-sung, a spokesman for South Korea's Unification Ministry, said late Saturday. The ministry handles relations with the North.

North Korea regularly blasts Lee as a "traitor" and "human scum" and accuses South Korea of conniving with the United States to attack it with nuclear weapons. But Pyongyang has recently offered a series of olive branches to Seoul in an apparently concerted effort to improve relations.

The challenge for Lee will likely be how to accomplish that without appearing to abandon his principles, illustrated by his policy of linking any improvement in relations to progress made by North Korea in eliminating its nuclear weapons program.

Kim Yong-hyun, a professor at Seoul's Dongguk University, said Lee was likely reluctant to show much eagerness to meet the North Koreans since it could invite a backlash from conserva-



North Korean delegates attend a memorial service for South Korea's former president on Friday.

tives who oppose any indication of softness toward Pyongyang.

About 100 demonstrators chanted "topple the Kim Jong Il dictatorship" Saturday near the hotel where the North Korean officials were staying and ripped apart paper North Korean flags. There was a minor scuffle between the activists and police.

South Korea's Yonhap news agency said the meeting Sunday would take 15 to 20 minutes.

Yonhap also said, without citing a source, that the North Koreans were expected to deliver a

message from Kim Jong Il and outline Pyongyang's plan to release four South Korean fishermen seized in July. They would also convey the North's position on resuming official dialogue.

The North Koreans arrived in Seoul on Friday and immediately went to the National Assembly to pay respects at a memorial to Kim. They offered a floral wreath in the name of Kim Jong Il to the late president. The two leaders met at the first ever inter-Korean summit in Pyongyang in June 2000.

Teachers feel police stepped over the line with pro-U.S. comic

Booklet aimed at grades 4 through 9

By ASHLEY ROWLAND
AND HWANG HAE-RYM
Stars and Stripes

SEOUL — South Korean police plan to distribute a comic book this fall aimed at changing the minds of elementary and middle school students who admire North Korean leader Kim Jong Il and want the U.S. military to leave their country.

The move is condemned by a leading teachers union as a return to the country's dictatorship past.

"The police must not be a political organization," said Eom Min-yong, a spokesman for the Korea Teachers and Education Workers Union, who claims police are misusing their authority to gain favor with President Lee Myung-bak. The union represents about 18 percent of South Korea's teachers.

The 52-page book will say that North Korea's nuclear program and possible reunification under Kim's communist regime threaten the South, Korean National Police spokesman Kim Ki-tai said.

KNP decided to publish the book after observing a "shocking" trend of anti-Americanism among young bloggers, he said. The police randomly monitor blog sites, paying special attention to those that are considered a threat to national security.

"It aims to straighten out the distorted ideas about reunification and national security among young teenagers," Kim Ki-tai said, adding that none of the students who wrote the blogs have been arrested.

About 150,000 copies of the booklet, targeting students in grades four through nine, will be distributed to classrooms across the country. The project will cost 75 million won, or about \$60,000, and the money will come from the police budget.

Statistics showing that South Korean youth know little about their country's relationships with the North and the United States also persuaded KNP to publish the comic book.

One survey, conducted by the Ministry of Public Administration and Security, found that less than 49 percent of middle and high school students knew that North Korea invaded South Korea. Only 43 percent could name the year the war began (1950), and 64 percent said the likelihood of

North Korea invading South Korea was low.

Kim Ki-tai said North Korea's recent missile launches and nuclear test alarmed expats more than South Koreans. Many South Koreans blame the U.S. for preventing reunification between the two Koreas, he said.

"People feel a lot closer to North Korea — that they are not our enemy but our compatriots who are poor and in need of help," he said.

Sympathy for North Korea among South Korean youth has been a worrisome trend for educators. In 2004, more cadets at the Korea Military Academy — similar to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point — identified the U.S. as South Korea's biggest threat than the number who named

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Spokesman for the Korea Teachers
and Education Workers Union

North Korea. The academy cut its boot camp from six to four weeks, allotting the extra two weeks for classes on South Korean history and the country's relationship with the United States.

The classes are still held, though the academy doesn't have data about current students' views on North Korea, a KMA spokeswoman said.

Eom said police officers should let education professionals decide what material is distributed to students.

He also said that schools should focus on reunification and reconciliation, not on criticizing communism and North Korea.

Police will meet this week with Ministry of Education officials to discuss the book, which the union's Web site says will likely end up on display in the library instead of being used in the classroom.

The Web site also says police might be overstepping their bounds and turning the country into a military regime — an area of particular sensitivity to South Koreans, because the country was ruled by a series of autocratic leaders after the Korean War through the early 1990s.

The KNP is also producing a 10-minute film warning of the North Korean threat to national security. The film will be released late this year and will be shown in subways, on the electric billboards on high-rise buildings and on public television stations, Kim Ki-tai said.

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Top Marine visits troops in Iraq, Afghanistan

By LARA JAKES
The Associated Press

CAMP RAMADI, Iraq — The top U.S. Marine is checking on troops in one war zone as he gets ready to send more to the next.

Gen. James Conway, commander of the Marine Corps, visited Iraq last week before flying Saturday to Afghanistan, where the United States is considering adding more troops. Many of the fresh-faced Marines who met Conway are serving their first combat mission — and already are looking forward to the next battle.

They are part of a force that, between the years in Iraq and Afghanistan, could be fighting wars for a generation.

At a hot and dusty base outside Ramadi, the capital of Iraq's Anbar province, Conway made clear he does not yet know whether Army Gen. Stanley McChrystal,



Conway



JULIE JACOBSON/AP

U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Jameson Adams of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., looks over the valley of the city of Now Zad on Saturday during a 24-hour observation watch on a nearby mountainside in the Helmand province of Afghanistan. About 11,400 Marines are currently in Afghanistan.

the U.S. and NATO commander in Afghanistan, will add to the 68,000 American troops already scheduled to be there by the end of the year. But Conway told the Marines he wants them to be ready. "I'll be surprised if we don't get asked for more," Conway said. He predicted "more combat support

in there."

McChrystal is preparing a review of his war — and his needs for fighting it. He is expected to deliver that review to the Pentagon by early September. Defense Secretary Robert Gates recently said the review will not address troop levels, but military officials

privately believe McChrystal ultimately will ask for as many as 20,000 additional soldiers.

U.S. troops first invaded Afghanistan in 2001 after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, and Iraq two years later. Although the United States is committed to pulling its combat forces from Iraq by the

end of 2011, military officials and experts believe the battle in Afghanistan easily could last for up to a decade longer.

That has required the Pentagon to rethink how to prepare its forces. The Army is recruiting 22,000 new soldiers and extending time at home for troops returning from battle. The Marines are making physical fitness more rigorous for those headed into combat.

Marines being Marines — a force that prides itself on running from one fight to the next — appear eager to head from Iraq to Afghanistan. An estimated 13,200 Marines remain in Iraq, and the vast majority of them will be gone by Thanksgiving. About 11,400 Marines are currently in Afghanistan.

"We're an expeditionary force; we're very offensive-minded, and it would be a better use of our time to be in Afghanistan," said Capt. John Roma, commander of a Marine company that deployed to Iraq just two weeks ago. It's his second tour of duty in Iraq; he has also fought in Afghanistan.

Anti-Iraq war veterans group formalizes opposition to Afghan war

By KEVIN DOUGHERTY
Stars and Stripes

With the U.S. military presence in Iraq expected to end by 2011, an organization of current and former servicemembers opposed to the war there is widening its mandate to include Afghanistan.

At its annual convention in College Park, Md., this month, members of Iraq Veterans Against the War vigorously debated what the group's stance should be on Afghanistan, according to some participants. Opposition to the war quietly became official policy this year following an online membership poll. The vote was said to be close, though no details were publicly released.

"A decision has been made in terms of our position, which is we are against it," said Jose Vasquez, executive director of IVAW and co-founder of the New York City chapter.

With that, leaders are "working out the way forward."

Since its founding in 2004, the IVAW has

focused almost exclusively on Iraq, though members have been free to speak out for or against the war in Afghanistan. The organization, which has a national office in Philadelphia, estimates its membership to be at least 1,700, with roughly one-quarter of its members still in uniform. Most members, active duty or not, have not deployed to Afghanistan, said Devon Read, a former Marine who wrote and introduced the resolution at the convention.

As is the case with Iraq, the existing IVAW resolution advocates "the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all occupying forces in Afghanistan and reparations for the Afghan people, and support (for) all troops and veterans working toward those ends."

Additionally, the IVAW supports full benefits and adequate health care for all servicemembers returning from Afghanistan or Iraq.

For now, the effort to develop a strategic approach to opposing the war in Afghanistan

is being addressed at the local level. Among the most active on this front is the Los Angeles chapter, which Read heads. The L.A. chapter sponsors forums at which clips of a new documentary, "Rethink Afghanistan," are aired and discussed.

The meetings are intended to generate public and political support for IVAW's position, which is that the continued presence of U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan is hurting, not helping matters.

"Chapters are trying to figure out where they want to go with this," Vasquez said. He added that IVAW members "don't think Iraq was a good idea, and some of us think Afghanistan isn't either."

One of the members who supports the war in Afghanistan is Army Sgt. Selena Coppa, an active-duty military intelligence specialist based at Wiesbaden, Germany.

"The organization is kind of split on that," Coppa said.

At times, she added, the issue of whether to oppose the war in Afghanistan "ran the

risk of tearing us apart. IVAW is like a family. You don't want members leaving."

Vasquez said many members, such as Coppa, "view Afghanistan as the good war," based largely on its role in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in the United States. The notion of also opposing that war "met with a lot of debate," he said.

The strategy for the time being is to leave the issue to local chapters to sort out, and then possibly bring it up at next year's convention. While there has been talk of amending the organization's name to reflect its opposition to the Afghanistan campaign, that isn't likely to happen soon.

Read, who initially backed the war in Afghanistan, characterized his endorsement as "blind support," a view that has changed over the past year.

"To me," Read said, "it feels like we are creating more enemies."

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Special Forces soldier who fled during trial turns self in

By DAN BLOTTENBERGER
Stars and Stripes

The U.S. Special Forces soldier who fled after being convicted in a court-martial of kidnapping, forcible sodomy and aggravated sexual assault has turned himself in to military authorities.

Sgt. 1st Class Kelly A. Stewart, 36, surrendered at the military police station at Patch Barracks in Stuttgart, Germany, at 10 p.m. Friday, according to Master Sgt. Gary Cryder, the provost sergeant for U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart.

Stewart was then escorted by

military police from Stuttgart to the Army confinement facility on Coleman Barracks in

Mannheim. He arrived at Mannheim at 7:45 a.m. Saturday, according to Cryder.

Cryder, who was not present when Stewart surrendered, said Stewart first called investiga-



Stewart

tors and told them he was turning himself in. He said he did not know when Stewart called.

A manhunt began Thursday morning after Stewart failed to show for the sentencing phase of his trial in Vilseck, Germany. A court-martial panel had found him guilty late Wednesday of the charges stemming from an August 2008 incident involving a German woman.

A soldier who was sharing an on-post hotel room with the convicted soldier told the court Thursday that he awoke around 7:30 a.m. and found Stewart was missing along with his Class A

uniform, wallet, two cell phones and a rental car. Police located the vehicle Friday morning near the Panzer Kaserne family housing in Stuttgart.

Stewart was sentenced Thursday to eight years in prison, given a dishonorable discharge and reduced to the rank of E-1.

During the court-martial he was found not guilty of rape, abusive sexual contact and communicating a threat. He could have faced a maximum sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole.

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Lebanese man subjected to rendition

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — A Lebanese citizen being held in a detention center here was hooded, stripped naked for photographs and bundled onto an executive jet by FBI agents in Afghanistan in April, making him the first known target of a rendition during the Obama administration.

Unlike terrorism suspects who secretly were snatched by the CIA and harshly interrogated and imprisoned overseas during the Bush administration, Raymond Azar was flown to this Washington, D.C., suburb for a case involving inflated invoices.

Azar, 45, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit bribery.

From wire reports



SAURABH DAS/AP

Above and below: Election workers sort ballot boxes after the votes were counted in Kabul on Saturday. Both President Hamid Karzai and challenger former Foreign Minister Abdullah Abdullah claim to be ahead in the polls, but a second round of voting now seems likely.

Afghan candidate talks with rivals

The Associated Press

KABUL — Afghan President Hamid Karzai's top challenger said Saturday he has reached out to several other candidates — but not the incumbent — in the days since the presidential election, and that a second round of voting was likely.

If no candidate in Thursday's poll has secured 50 percent of the ballot, the top two will go to a runoff vote, for which they may need to muster support from rivals.

"I am in contact either directly or indirectly with most of the presidential candidates," former Foreign Minister Abdullah Abdullah said.

He would not say who he has talked to or whether any alliances have been discussed. Both Karzai and Abdullah have claimed to be in the lead, but initial results won't be announced until Tuesday.

Taliban threats and attacks appeared to hold down turnout, especially in the south where Karzai was expected to run strongly among his fellow Pashtuns. At least 26 Afghan civilians

and security forces died in dozens of militant attacks.

Monitors confirmed Saturday that some Taliban had made good on a threat to cut off the ink-stained fingers of voters.

Two voters who had dipped their index fingers in purple ink — a fraud prevention measure — were attacked in southern Kandahar province shortly after they left a polling station Thursday, said Nader Nadery, the head of Afghanistan's top election monitoring group, the Free and Fair Election Foundation of Afghanistan. Election monitors also saw voters carrying boxes of voter cards to polling sites and saw many underage voters, he said.

Mirwais Yasini, a parliamentarian, stood behind a table piled with ballot papers that he said his supporters had found ditched outside Spin Boldak city in southern Kandahar province. The ballots bore the stamp of the Independent Election Commission, which is applied only after voting.

European Union observers had difficulty getting to polling stations in southern Kandahar prov-



ince because of rocket attacks, said Sandra Khadhour, a spokeswoman for the delegation. The EU had observers in 17 provinces.

"That elections took place at all is a notable achievement," the

EU said in a statement. The delegation said threats and violence meant that voting could not be considered free "in some parts of the territory" but that the process so far appeared "good and fair."

Bombings: Iraq security force 'still capable'

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"What is coming might be bigger attacks, and the government needs to shoulder its responsibility and deal with the security inefficiencies," Zebari said.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, in his first televised speech to the nation since the attacks, cautioned against rushing to blame the security forces and undermining national unity. "I would like to assure the Iraqi people that the security forces are still capable of continuing the battle and achieving more victories despite all the loopholes that took place here and there," he said in an address to mark the beginning of the holy month of Ramadan.

The Iraqi military announced it arrested members of an insurgent cell responsible for the attacks. Eleven members of Iraq's security forces have been arrested on suspicion of negligence, authorities said.

Al-Maliki ordered security tightened and concrete blast walls to remain around potential targets, reversing an order earlier this month to remove the walls in Baghdad by mid-September as a symbol security was increasing.

Iraqi security forces used a crane Saturday to lift concrete blast walls one by one off 10 flat-bed trucks to build a new security barrier around the Foreign Ministry, adjacent to the fortified Green Zone.

An attack at an Iraqi military checkpoint Saturday came in an area in northern Baghdad where concrete blast walls were being dismantled to open major roads.

Gunmen killed two soldiers during a drive-by shooting on the checkpoint about 6 a.m. in Adhamiyah, said an Iraqi security official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

In northern Iraq, a bomb exploded inside the office of a Mosul district administrator, killing the district chief and two others, said an Iraqi police official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity.

Iraq's government has not asked for U.S. troops to return to the cities to help with security, Maj. David Shoupe, a U.S. military spokesman, said, adding that the military was continuing to provide intelligence and forensic support to the Iraqis.

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IN THE WORLD

British role in release questioned

By **DANICA KIRKA**
The Associated Press

LONDON — Britain's leaders faced strong pressure Saturday to account for any role they might have had in the release of the Lockerbie bomber after Moammar Gadhafi credited senior British officials and members of the royal family for influencing the decision.

Britain has condemned the scenes of jubilation in Tripoli at the return of bomber Abdel Baset al-Megrahi and has flatly denied there was any trade deal linked to his release.

But opposition politicians say comments from Gadhafi's son — who said the release was often brought up during trade talks — should be examined.

"It is very important, I think, for the reputation of our institutions of justice that it is made clear beyond any doubt that this was not connected with some political trade," David Lidington, the opposition Conservative Party's spokesman on foreign affairs, told the BBC.

Gadhafi hugged the only man convicted of the 1988 bombing that killed 270 people in a meeting Friday after al-Megrahi's return home. Al-Megrahi kissed the Libyan leader's hand.

Libyan television showed pictures of Gadhafi singling out British Prime Minister Gordon Brown by name, as well as "the Queen of Britain, Elizabeth, and Prince Andrew, who all contributed to encouraging the Scottish government to take this historic and courageous decision, despite the obstacles."

A Buckingham Palace spokesman on Saturday said the release was "entirely a matter for the Scottish government." The official spoke on condition of anonymity in keeping with palace policy. British Foreign Secretary David Miliband on Friday condemned the scenes as "deeply distressing." U.S. Sen. Charles E. Schumer issued a statement Saturday appealing for a U.N. resolution condemning the homecoming.



PHOTO COURTESY OF JAMAHIRIYA BROADCASTING, APTN/AP

In this image made from television Abdel Baset al-Megrahi, right, who was found guilty of the 1988 Lockerbie bombing, is greeted by Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, in Tripoli, Libya on Friday.

Victims' families to protest Gadhafi visit

By **SAMANTHA HENRY**
The Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. — Relatives of Americans killed when Pan Am Flight 103 was blown up over Lockerbie, Scotland, plan to converge on New York City in September to protest Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi's speech at the United Nations.

Family members are furious that convicted Libyan bomber Abdel Baset al-Megrahi was released from a Scottish prison Thursday and was greeted in Libya by cheering crowds. He and his family also met later with Gadhafi.

Susan Cohen, whose daughter, Theodora, 20, died in the attack, called the release "a triumph for terrorism" and said Gadhafi is to blame.

"Look what we've come to be, a man blows up an American plane and now here he (Gadhafi) is rolling into New York in triumph," she said, adding sarcastically, "That's wonderful. Makes the world safer, doesn't it?"

Cohen, of Cape May Court House, N.J., said al-Megrahi's release is a major concession to Gadhafi, who she said wields increasing power through lucrative oil contracts with Western nations. Cohen, like several victims' family members, said she's disappointed that President Barack Obama's administration is not taking a harder line.



CURT HUDSON/AP

Susan Cohen sits in her home in Cape May Court House, N.J. on Thursday. Her daughter, Theodora, was one of the passengers killed in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in 1988.

"The fact is, every time this kind of appeasement happens, it really endangers the innocent public," Cohen said. "What would any terrorist think looking at this? How scared would you be?"

Frank Dugan, president of the group Victims of Pan Am Flight 103, said members didn't spend much time discussing al-Megrahi's release or the welcoming reception he received during a two-hour conference call the group held Friday night.

Instead, members focused on logistics for the Gadhafi protest, tentatively planned for Sept. 23, along with plans for the upcoming 21st anniversary of the Dec. 21, 1988, bombing, which killed 270 people. The anniversary event will be held at Syracuse University, where 35 of the victims went to school.

Germans plan memorial to expelled citizens

BERLIN — Chancellor Angela Merkel reiterated her support Saturday for a memorial to Germans forced to relocate from eastern Europe after World War II, but said it did not mean Germany was seeking to diminish responsibility for starting the war.

After the Third Reich collapsed in 1945 and borders were moved westward, millions of ethnic Germans in Poland, then-Czechoslovakia and elsewhere were viewed as traitors and were expelled or fled.

Backed by the German government, a group called the Federation of Expellees is moving ahead with plans for a memorial in Berlin for those dispossessed.

Spanish, French police seize ETA explosives

MADRID — Spanish and French police have seized more than a ton of explosives and 30 firearms this year from caches believed to belong to the separatist group ETA, the Interior Ministry said Saturday.

Sixty-two suspected ETA members or collaborators have also been captured this year in coordinated cross-border operations, the ministry said in a statement.

Seven arms and explosives hoards have been found in rural locations along the north of the Pyrenees mountains since Wednesday, when three suspected ETA members were arrested.

China: 2 environmental officers investigated

WENPING, China — Two environmental officials were being investigated Saturday after more than 1,300 children were sickened with lead poisoning caused by pollution from a manganese processing plant in central China.

The probe comes as officials seek to punish those responsible for the poisoning from the Wugang Manganese Smelting Plant in Wenping township in Hunan province.

Report: Russian hydro plant unsafe since '98

MOSCOW — Russian authorities were reportedly warned in 1998 that Siberia's massive Sayano-Shushenskaya hydroelectric power plant had fallen into serious neglect and was unsafe, more than a decade before last week's deadly accident. The death toll rose to 66 Saturday as rescuers continued to drain the dam's destroyed turbine room.

From The Associated Press

Man who tried to assassinate France's Chirac released

The Associated Press

PARIS — A French far-right activist has been released from prison seven years after attempting to assassinate then-President

Jacques Chirac in a Bastille Day attack, a judicial official said Saturday.

Maxime Brunerie was convicted of attempted murder after he pulled a rifle from a guitar case

and shot at Chirac on July 14, 2002. The attack took place during a military parade on Paris' famed Champs-Elysees avenue. Brunerie was subdued by onlookers as he tried to turn the weapon

on himself. Chirac was unhurt.

Brunerie, who was sentenced to 10 years in prison, was released this month but remains under judicial supervision, the judicial official said.

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IN THE STATES

Pa. gym reopens following shootings

BRIDGEVILLE, Pa. — A Pittsburgh-area health club where a gunman killed three women and wounded nine others before killing himself has reopened to members.

The LA Fitness center in Collier Township opened at 8 a.m. Saturday. About 10 members were at the center when it opened, with some describing themselves as Saturday morning regulars.

The health club has been closed since 48-year-old George Sodini opened fire inside a classroom full of women on Aug. 4.

Countdown begins for Tuesday shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA has begun the launch countdown for space shuttle Discovery.

The countdown clocks began ticking late Friday night. Discovery is scheduled to blast off early Tuesday morning. Forecasters put the odds of acceptable conditions at 70 percent.

Discovery and a crew of seven will deliver about 17,000 pounds of supplies and equipment to the international space station.

NASA has until Aug. 30 to launch Discovery. Otherwise the shuttle will have to get in line behind a Japanese cargo ship and a Russian Soyuz spacecraft that are set to fly in September.

Lutherans to allow active gays as clergy

MINNEAPOLIS — The nation's largest Lutheran denomination took openly gay clergy more fully into its fold Friday, as leaders of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America voted to lift a ban that prohibited sexually active gays and lesbians from serving as ministers.

Under the new policy, individual ELCA congregations will be allowed to hire homosexuals in committed relationships as clergy. Until now, gays and lesbians had to remain celibate to serve as clergy.

Fla. judge OKs release of Egyptian man

MIAMI — A Miami immigration judge has approved the release of an Egyptian man acquitted earlier this year of terrorism-related charges.

The agreement between immigration officials and Youssef Megahed's attorney on Friday comes after Immigration Judge Kenneth Hurewitz threw out his deportation case earlier in the day.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents arrested Megahed days after a jury found him not guilty on federal explosives charges.

From The Associated Press

Inmates set Ky. prison ablaze

Several buildings damaged in riot

By JEFFREY MCMURRAY
The Associated Press

BURGIN, Kentucky — Four prisoners remained hospitalized and hundreds of others had to be relocated Saturday after rioting inmates set their Kentucky prison on fire.

Flames shot into the air during the melee Friday night, seriously damaging several buildings, and parts of the medium-security Northpoint Training Center continued to smolder nearly 24 hours later.

The 500 inmates who remained at the prison south of Lexington were being compliant, said Jennifer Brislin, spokeswoman for the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet.

About 700 others were being taken to other facilities across the state. In some cases that meant inmates were double-bunking or sleeping in gyms or other secure buildings inside prisons.

Officials would not say what caused the rioting, which injured



DAVID BROCK, THE (DANVILLE, Ky.) ADVOCATE-MESSENGER/AP

Fires blaze at Northpoint Training Center, a medium-security men's prison in Kentucky's Mercer County, where inmates set fire to several buildings on Friday. A prison spokesperson said no injuries were reported and no hostages were taken. There is no word on the cause of the riot.

eight staff members and eight prisoners. None of the injured staffers were hospitalized, said Cheryl Million, a spokeswoman for the Kentucky Department of Corrections. Authorities would not provide conditions for the inmates still being treated.

Those who remained at North-

point were getting food and medical care from temporary stations because the fire destroyed six buildings, including a kitchen, medical center, canteen and visitation area. They were to be moved into a 196-bed dormitory that remained habitable, as well as a unit of single cells.

Gov. Steve Beshear praised corrections officials and state police for handling the situation without any serious injuries.

"Their work last night in the face of the most trying circumstances was truly remarkable," Beshear said in a statement Saturday.

Obama denounces 'phony claims' in health care debate

By DARLENE SUPERVILLE
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is challenging his critics on a national health care overhaul, accusing them of making "phony claims" about the legislation.

"This is an issue of vital concern to every American, and I'm glad that so many are engaged," Obama said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet address.

"But it also should be an honest debate, not one dominated by willful misrepresentations and outright distortions, spread by the very folks who would benefit the most by keeping things exactly as they are."



Obama

Obama said illegal immigrants would not be part of the health care overhaul, taxpayers would not be mandated to fund abortions, and he does not intend a government takeover of health care — all claims that critics have made at contentious town hall-style meetings with members of Congress.

He also took a swipe at "death panels," an idea former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin introduced on her Facebook page.

"As every credible person who has looked into it has said, there are no so-called death panels — an offensive notion to me and to the American people," Obama said. "These are phony claims meant to divide us."

In their weekly address, Republicans accused Obama of misrepresenting his proposal. "The problem is the president, himself, plays fast and loose with the facts," said Rep. Tom Price, R-Ga. Price said that the whole plan should be scrapped in favor of a plan that makes sure patients — not Washington or insurance providers — are the top priority.

Obama's wee comment baffles press, blogs

WASHINGTON — "There's something about August going into September where everybody in Washington gets all wee-wee up," President Obama remarked Thursday as he tried to rally support for health-care reform. "I don't know what it is, but that's what happens."

Neither, it seems, does anyone else. The Presidential Wee-Wee immediately lit up Twitter, the blogosphere and cable TV.

Presidential spokesman Robert Gibbs tried to explain: What the president meant was, in late summer, Washington obsesses needlessly on what is really is just a blip.

From wire reports

Ex-Vietnam lieutenant apologizes for My Lai massacre

The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ga. — Speaking in a soft, sometimes labored voice, the only U.S. Army officer convicted in the 1968 slayings of Vietnamese civilians at My Lai made an extraordinary public apology while speaking to a small

group near the military base where he was court-martialed.

"There is not a day that goes by that I do not feel remorse for what happened that day in My Lai," William L. Calley told members of a local Kiwanis Club, the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer reported Friday.

"I feel remorse for the Vietnamese who were killed, for their families, for the American soldiers involved and their families. I am very sorry."

Calley, 66, was a young Army lieutenant when a court-martial at nearby Fort Benning convicted him of murder in 1971 for killing

22 civilians during the infamous massacre of 500 men, women and children in Vietnam.

Though sentenced to life in prison, Calley ended up serving three years under house arrest after President Richard Nixon reduced his sentence.

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Hawaii natives mark anniversary with march

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Hawaii welcomed its entry as the 50th state with a new postage stamp Friday but independence supporters marked the day with passionate protest — including an effigy of Uncle Sam being beaten and Hawaii's star cut out from the U.S. flag.

State leaders called Friday's events a "commemoration" of Hawaii's 50 years of statehood rather than a "celebration" out of respect for Native Hawaiians and their unresolved claims since the 1893 overthrow of the Hawaiian kingdom.

A few hundred Native Hawaiians marched through the street of downtown Honolulu with an effigy of a 15-foot Uncle Sam holding machine guns and riding in a tank made of cardboard. They chanted in Hawaiian, blew on conch shells, waved ti leaves, carried upside-down Hawaii state flags and yelled, "We are not Americans! We want our country back!"

The events commemorating Hawaii's 1959 admission into the union have focused on its economic future with discussions on tourism, alternative energy and Hawaiian rights.

Elsewhere in the nation, Ha-



MARCO GARCIA/AP

Native Hawaiian activist Jean Stavure cuts a star out of the U.S. flag during a Hawaiian independence march in Honolulu on Friday. The march coincided with the commemoration of Hawaii's 50th anniversary of statehood.

waii statehood was being marked as a cause for celebration with one of the more elaborate displays taking place Friday in New York City's Times Square, where dancers dressed in traditional Hawaiian costumes and taught people how to hula dance.

President Barack Obama, who was born there, signed a proclamation marking the anniversary and said that in his youth he learned from Hawaii's diversity how different cultures, blended together into one population, were made stronger by their sense of community.

Police use breast implants to ID slain ex-model's body

By GILLIAN FLACCUS
AND ROB GILLIES
The Associated Press

BUENA PARK, Calif. — The remains of a former model whose killing set off an international manhunt for a reality television star were so badly mutilated that investigators had to use the serial numbers on her breast implants to identify her.

The man charged with Jasmine Fiore's murder, reality TV show contestant Ryan Alexander Jenkins, has been on the run since reporting her missing the evening of Aug. 15. Her nude body had been found that morning, stuffed in a bloodstained suitcase in a trash bin in Buena Park, an Orange County city about 20 miles southeast of Los Angeles, but authorities didn't identify her for a few more days.

Detectives tracked the serial number on the implants because they could not use fingerprints or dental records, said Farrah Emami, a spokeswoman for the Orange County district attorney's office.

Authorities believe Jenkins, a contestant on VH1's "Megan Wants a Millionaire," may have

fled more than 1,000 miles to reach his native Canada.

VH1 canceled the show, in which wealthy young men tried to win over a materialistic blonde, network spokesman Brett Henne said Friday. The network previously said the show was postponed after three episodes.

Jenkins also was a participant in the as-yet-unaired competitive reality series "I Love Money 3."

A VH1 spokesman said no decision has been made on whether or not to run the show.

Buena Park police Lt. Steve Holliday said Jenkins, a native of Calgary, Alberta, is possibly armed with a handgun. Prosecutors recommended bail of \$10 million upon his arrest and said he had significant resources to finance his flight.

Earlier Friday, prosecutors said the U.S. Coast Guard had briefly pursued a boat Wednesday off the coast of Washington state that was registered to Jenkins, but the Coast Guard disputed that claim late Friday.

Canadian authorities have since ended a massive border search using helicopters, ground police and dogs but continued their investigation, Royal Cana-

dian Mounted Police Sgt. Duncan Pound said.

Jenkins is a real estate developer and investor who is also the son of a prominent Canadian architect. On the reality show, he said he had between \$1 million and \$2.5 million, said Tom Hession, chief inspector for the U.S. Marshals Service's regional fugitive task force.

Hession declined to say if authorities were watching Jenkins' assets as part of their investigation.

"When we're looking for someone who's a fugitive, we try to find out everything we can about that person," he said. "We're going to turn every rock over."

The U.S. has filed a provisional apprehension warrant with Canada that allows officials there to issue a Canadian arrest warrant based on the U.S. charges, said Hession, the U.S. Marshals official. The Canadian government will extradite defendants to the U.S. but only with reassurances that they will not face the death penalty in the U.S.

Emami, the Orange County district attorney spokeswoman, had said her office was not pursuing the death penalty.



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Sources: Bank of America, The Associated Press

Lenders cut limits for 58 million

By EILEEN AJ CONNELLY
The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Credit card companies slashed limits for an estimated 58 million card holders in the 12 months ended in April, even though a high percentage had good credit scores when their limits were cut.

The widespread cuts hurt about a third of consumers, but most people did not see a big impact on the credit scores, according to a study by FICO, the company that produces the most widely known credit scores. The limited effect may be because lenders often cut limits on cards that were unused or lightly used.

The statistics in some ways verify complaints from consumers that they were targeted despite doing nothing wrong, but also show that the cuts seem to have little negative effect for the majority of people.

FICO, formerly called Fair Isaac Corp., separated the cuts into two waves as it examined data provided by credit reporting agency Equifax. About 25 million card holders saw their limits cut between April 2008 and October 2008. Limit cuts jumped 32 percent in the following six months, as the economy faltered and banks looked for ways to cut



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FICO, formerly called Fair Isaac Corp., found the average credit limit reduction from October through April was \$5,100, more than double the cut for comparable consumers six months earlier.

risk.

Focusing on the 33 million card holders in the group that saw cuts between October 2008 and April 2009, FICO found the majority had strong credit histories.

About 73 percent of the group, or 24 million, had credit limits cut despite no new negative in-

formation in their files. Lenders may have used information not in credit reports to decide whose credit limits to cut, FICO spokesman Craig Watts said.

FICO said this group had a median credit score of 760, on a scale of 300 to 850. That's above the median score in the U.S.,

which stands at 723.

The results support the perception voiced by many consumers that the cuts to their credit limits took place despite holding up their end of the bargain by making on-time payments, said Gail Hillebrand, senior attorney with Consumers Union. "The consumer perception that 'I did everything right and my limit were cut' is true," she said.

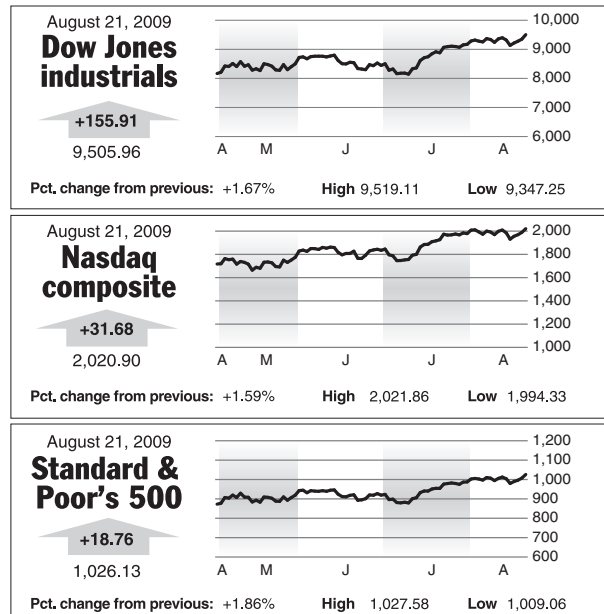
FICO said 9 million card holders, or 27 percent of the group it examined closely, had negative information like late payments in their histories. That information might have triggered their cuts, FICO said. Late payments are considered a sign that the individual is a higher credit risk.

The average credit limit reduction from October through April was \$5,100, more than double the cut for comparable consumers six months earlier, FICO said.

Hillebrand said one group that was hurt by limit cuts but has gotten little attention was small business owners who used their personal cards to fund their companies. In some cases, the cuts created cash-flow problems, she said.

Hillebrand said the results show the importance of managing credit carefully, including regularly using cards to keep them active and keeping a close eye on balances. "The only way to protect yourself in this environment is to keep your balances as low as you can," she said.

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The Associated Press

Robert Rodriguez is back in a family way.

His new kid-friendly comedy "Shorts" is the latest in a seesaw career in which Rodriguez veers from family fare such as the "Spy Kids" flicks to violent thrillers such as "Sin City" and "Once Upon a Time in Mexico."

A collection of "Little Rascals"-inspired adventures with a loosely linked plot, the PG-rated "Shorts" has some mildly crude humor, including a giant monster created out of a stray booger a boy picks from his nose.

But it's a complete turnabout from Rodriguez's previous flick, 2007's "Planet Terror," his violent, gory zombie fest that featured an amputee with a machine gun for a leg.

As he switches back and forth from family films to bloody adult action, one genre reinvigorates the other for him, Rodriguez, 41, said in an interview.

"By splitting it up, it's that palate-cleansing, where you can almost feel like if your head was too close to a project, I just needed to turn to the other one and edit that just for a day," Rodriguez said. "When I came back to the original movie, it's like I'd been away for months, because you've just done a complete mind-switch."

"So it gave you a fresher perspective and much more distance."

Rodriguez recalled shooting "Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over" while he was editing "Once Upon a Time in Mexico," with both movies hitting theaters within a couple of months. Likewise,



AP

who came up with the movie's basic idea when he suggested his father do something along the lines of "The Little Rascals" short comedies.

"Most of his ideas are based on his kids, and a lot of his kids are in the movies, too," said 11-year-old "Shorts" co-star Jolie Vanier. "I've seen all his kid films, and I'm a huge fan."

A batch of cinematic short stories was "perfect for this day and age. Short attention spans," Rodriguez said. "Let's make a bunch of cool 'Little Rascal'-type short films and just make it into a feature. Maybe they'll be tied together by just the fact that some actors, like Spanky, will be the lead in one, and he'll show up as a supporting character in another one."

The result is a collection of tales set in a neighborhood where adults and children cope with the disastrous results after a magic rock lands in their midst, making people's wildest fantasies come true.

Along with the booger monster, the rock sets loose savage bipedal crocodiles, giant robots, tiny aliens and other creatures causing mayhem.

The cast includes William H. Macy, James Spader, Leslie Mann, Jon Cryer and Kat Dennings.

Most of the action centers on the community's kids. The boyish Rodriguez has great flair for capturing the antics of children, said 13-year-old "Shorts" star Jimmy Bennett.

"He's just a big kid, and he just seems like the rest of us. It seems like he could almost be in our group," Bennett said of Rodriguez's relationship with his young actors.

'Shorts' director Rodriguez does families, felons

he was editing "Sin City" while shooting the family tale "The Adventures of Sharkboy and Lavagirl in 3-D," the two overlapping to the point where he had the prostitutes of the former and the child heroes of the latter in front of the cameras the same day.

"There were literally some days where we'd be like, OK, we still have to shoot some pickup shots from 'Sin City,' so we'd shoot the kids for half the day, send them away, and in come the 'Sin City' girls in their robes," Rodriguez said.

A do-it-yourselfer since boyhood, when he began making short films starring his siblings around their Texas home, Rodriguez did his usual multitasking on "Shorts," writing, directing, producing, editing, writing the music and serving as his own cinematographer.

Four of Rodriguez's five children appear in "Shorts," including 10-year-old son Rebel,



At top: Director Robert Rodriguez, center, actor Jimmy Bennett, left, and actress Jolie Vanier pose Aug. 9 for a portrait at the Four Seasons Hotel in Los Angeles.

Above: Lug (Rebel Rodriguez, left) and Laser (Leo Howard, right) watch as Loogie (Trevor Gagnon) closes his eyes to make a wish on the Rainbow Rock in the magical fantasy adventure "Shorts."

Rodriguez has shifted back to adult action for the movie he's shooting now, the revenge saga "Machete," a feature-length spinoff of a fake movie trailer that ran in "Grindhouse." The cast includes Robert De Niro and Jessica Alba.

Steering from family adventures to violent thrillers and back again reflects Rodriguez's own personal tastes as a film fan.

"I do like all kinds of movies," Rodriguez said. "I wouldn't make all kinds of movies. I don't know if I would ever make a straight, serious drama. I like watching those, but they wouldn't be that much fun to make. I like really making things where you have to piece them together and layer things and mix genres. More like giant magic tricks, illusion, rather than just documenting a reality."

"Other than that, though, I think any sort of genre is game. The 'Grindhouse' movie was just sort of my screwball romantic comedy. I just added zombies."

SCIENCE & MEDICINE



Look out below

Report: NASA can't keep up with killer asteroids

Illustration courtesy of NASA

By SETH BORENSTEIN
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — NASA is charged with spotting most of the asteroids that pose a threat to Earth but does not have the money to complete the job, a U.S. government report says.

That is because even though Congress assigned the space agency that mission four years ago, it never gave NASA the money to build the necessary telescopes, according to the report released by the National Academy of Sciences.

Specifically, the mission calls for NASA, by the year 2020, to locate 90 percent of the potentially deadly rocks hurtling through space. The agency says it has been able to complete about one-third of its assignment with the current telescope system.

NASA estimates that there are about 20,000 asteroids and comets in our solar

system that are potential threats. They are larger than 460 feet in diameter. So far, scientists know where about 6,000 of these objects are.

Rocks with diameters between 460 feet and 3,280 feet can devastate an entire region, said Lindley Johnson, NASA's manager of the near-Earth objects program. Objects bigger than that are even more threatening, of course.

In July, astronomers were surprised when an object of unknown size and origin bashed into Jupiter and created an Earth-sized bruise that is still spreading. Jupiter gets slammed more often than Earth because of its immense gravity, enormous size and location.

Disaster movies like "Armageddon" and near misses in previous years may have scared people and alerted them to the threat. But when it comes to monitoring, the academy concluded "there has

been relatively little effort by the U.S. government."

And the United States is practically the only government doing anything at all, the report found.

"It shows we have a problem we're not addressing," said Louis Friedman, executive director of the Planetary Society, an advocacy group.

NASA calculated that to spot the asteroids as required by law would mean spending about \$800 million between now and 2020, either with a new ground-based telescope or a space observation system, Johnson said. If NASA got only \$300 million it could find most asteroids bigger than 1,000 feet across, he said.

But so far NASA has gotten neither sum.

It may never get the money, said John Logsdon, a space policy professor at George Washington University.

"The program is a little bit of a lame duck," Logsdon said. There is not a big enough group pushing for the money, he said.

At the moment, NASA has identified about five near-Earth objects that pose better than a 1-in-a-million risk of hitting Earth and being big enough to cause serious damage, Johnson said. That number changes from time to time, as new asteroids are added and old ones are removed as information is gathered on their orbits.

The space rocks astronomers are keeping a closest eye on are a 430-foot diameter object that has a 1-in-3,000 chance of hitting Earth in 2048 and a much-talked about asteroid, Apophis, which is twice that size and has a one-in-43,000 chance of hitting in 2036, 2037 or 2069.

Last month, NASA started a new Web site for the public to learn about threatening near-Earth objects.



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East Coast under warning as Bill moves north

By JASON BRONIS
The Associated Press

EDGARTOWN, Mass. — A weakening Hurricane Bill spun northward Saturday, churning up rough seas, creating dangerous rip tides and closing beaches to swimmers up and down the eastern seaboard, including President Barack Obama's vacation spot, Martha's Vineyard.

The Category 1 hurricane was expected to pass the mainland well off New England, but was still packing high winds and waves that had safety officials urging extreme caution.

At Robert Moses State Park in New York, the beach was shut down as the high tide submerged the sand, though the beach opened later Saturday for sunbathing. Along some beaches in Delaware and New Jersey, no swimming was allowed.

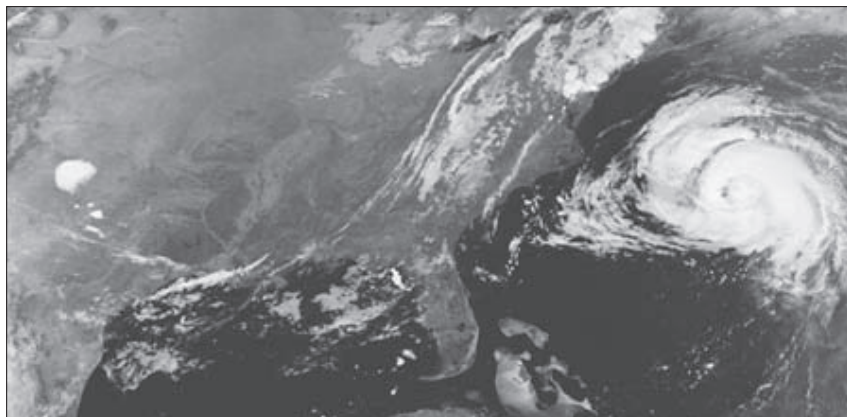
"It's just too dangerous right now,"

Rehoboth Beach Patrol Capt. Kent Buckson said.

At mid-afternoon Saturday, the storm was about 370 miles south of Nantucket and losing strength as it moved over cooler waters, according to the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami. But the storm was still carrying maximum winds of 100 mph.

A tropical storm warning was issued Saturday for Massachusetts, including the islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard. The worst of Bill was expected to pass about 150 to 200 miles east of Martha's Vineyard before Obama's arrival on Sunday, and there was no word from the White House that the Obamas were changing vacation plans.

The storm was expected to reach Canadian waters early Sunday, and the Canadian Hurricane Center on Saturday issued a hurricane watch for areas of Nova Scotia, where winds speeds could hit 74 mph with gusts of 87 mph.



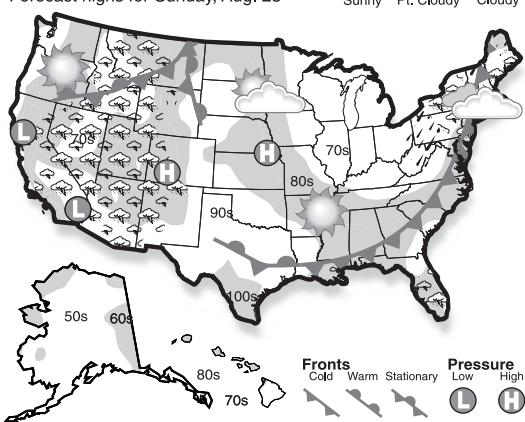
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This National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration satellite image taken Saturday shows Hurricane Bill in the Atlantic Ocean. The U.S. National Hurricane Center said it could regain intensity over the weekend as its center moves toward the eastern U.S. seaboard.

WEATHER OUTLOOK

National forecast

Forecast highs for Sunday, Aug. 23



Hurricane Bill Flirts With East Coast

Hurricane Bill will continue to parallel the Northeast coast while producing some coastal rain and windy conditions. Some showers are possible in the Southwest, but much of the rest of the country will remain dry.

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Saturday's global temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	City	Hi	Lo	Wthr
Amsterdam	71	57	Rain	La Paz	59	19	Clr
Athens	86	75	Clr	Lima	68	60	Cldy
Auckland	60	48	Clr	Lisbon	82	64	Clr
Baghdad	118	87	Clr	London	70	55	Rain
Basra	121	89	Clr	Madrid	98	64	Clr
Bahrain	99	91	Clr	Managua	93	77	pc
Bangkok	95	81	pc	Manila	89	79	Rain
Barbados	87	75	Rain	Mecca	105	85	Rain
Barcelona	86	71	Clr	Melbourne	64	42	Rain
Beijing	87	69	Cldy	Mexico City	77	60	Rain
Beirut	91	78	Clr	Montevideo	57	36	Clr
Belgrade	89	59	Clr	Moscow	53	50	Rain
Berlin	75	60	Rain	Nairobi	68	57	pc
Bermuda	85	78	Rain	Nassau	90	80	Rain
Bogota	64	48	Rain	New Delhi	95	78	pc
Brasilia	82	59	Rain	Nice	88	78	Clr
Brisbane	73	50	Clr	Osaka	89	82	Rain
Brussels	72	57	Rain	Oslo	67	57	Rain
Bucharest	86	51	Clr	Panama	87	75	Rain
Budapest	87	53	Clr	Paris	75	60	pc
Buenos Aires	57	46	pc	Perth	63	50	Rain
Cairo	97	75	Clr	Prague	80	56	Rain
Calgary	87	51	Clr	Rio de Janeiro	69	62	Rain
Caracas	95	81	pc	Rome	98	69	Clr
Colombo	87	77	Rain	San Jose	84	68	Rain
Copenhagen	71	60	Rain	San Juan	93	80	Rain
Dhahran	111	89	Clr	San Salvador	89	69	Clr
Dhaka	87	79	Cldy	Santiago	55	47	Rain
Dili	92	69	Clr	Sao Paulo	55	51	Rain
Dubai	103	90	Clr	Sapporo	85	68	Rain
Dublin	63	50	Rain	Seoul	84	64	pc
Frankfurt	68	59	Rain	Singapore	87	77	Rain
Geneva	82	68	Rain	Sofia	86	62	Clr
Guatemala	78	62	Rain	Stockholm	73	57	Rain
Hanoi	94	78	pc	Sydney	79	50	Rain
Harare	77	55	Clr	Taipei	89	78	Clr
Havana	91	73	Clr	Tegucigalpa	86	62	pc
Helsinki	66	44	pc	Tehran	99	80	Clr
Hong Kong	94	84	Clr	Tel Aviv	92	77	Clr
Islamabad	90	76	pc	Tokyo	87	78	Rain
Istanbul	82	70	Clr	Turin	90	69	pc
Jakarta	89	74	Clr	Toronto	77	69	Rain
Jerusalem	92	77	Clr	Tunis	95	75	pc
Johannesburg	66	36	Clr	Valletta	92	75	Clr
Kabul	87	62	Clr	Vancouver	72	60	pc
Kiev	70	52	pc	Vienna	88	65	pc
Kuala Lumpur	91	75	Rain	Warsaw	77	52	Clr
Kuwait	111	86	Clr	Zurich	79	64	Rain

MONDAY'S FORECAST



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Sunday's U.S. temperatures

Albany, N.Y.	80	62	Rain	Burlington, Vt.	79	60	Cldy	Detroit	73	59	Cldy	Jacksonville	90	71	Cldy	New York City	84	71	Cldy	Richmond	88	68	Cldy	Tampa	89	76	Rain
Albuquerque	89	66	PCldy	Casper	92	56	PCldy	Duluth	71	54	Clr	Juneau	56	m	Rain	Norfolk, Va.	87	74	Cldy	Sacramento	85	57	Clr	Topeka	83	60	Clr
Amarillo	94	66	PCldy	Charleston, S.C.	92	70	PCldy	El Paso	97	73	PCldy	Kansas City	81	59	Clr	North Platte	88	63	Clr	St Louis	80	59	Clr	Tucson	92	75	Cldy
Anchorage	57	m	Rain	Charleston, W.Va.	77	56	Cldy	Evansville	77	55	PCldy	Key West	90	82	PCldy	Oklahoma City	92	69	Clr	St Petersburg	88	78	Rain	Tulsa	87	64	Clr
Asheville	78	57	PCldy	Charlotte, N.C.	86	64	PCldy	Fairbanks	60	m	Cldy	Las Vegas	95	76	Cldy	Omaha	82	62	Clr	Salt Lake City	86	64	Cldy	Washington, D.C.	86	72	Cldy
Atlanta	85	63	Clr	Cheyenne	86	58	PCldy	Fargo	84	63	Clr	Little Rock	87	60	Clr	Orlando	90	75	Rain	San Antonio	100	76	PCldy	Wichita	87	65	Clr
Atlantic City	85	68	Cldy	Chicago	73	54	Clr	Flagstaff	73	50	Cldy	Los Angeles	83	64	PCldy	Pendleton	82	53	Clr	San Diego	75	66	PCldy	Wilkes-Barre	77	60	Cldy
Austin	101	73	PCldy	Cincinnati	74	56	Cldy	Grand Rapids	72	55	Cldy	Louisville	76	57	PCldy	Philadelphia	83	69	Cldy	San Francisco	71	57	Cldy	Wilmington, Del.	82	68	Cldy
Baltimore	85	68	Cldy	Cleveland	72	56	Cldy	Great Falls	84	52	PCldy	Lubbock	88	70	PCldy	Phoenix	99	82	PCldy	San Juan, P.R.	86	78	PCldy				
Billings	87	60	PCldy	Columbia, S.C.	90	67	PCldy	Greensboro, N.C.	86	64	Cldy	Memphis	84	61	Clr	Pittsburgh	73	57	Cldy	Santa Fe	87	58	PCldy				
Birmingham	85	58	Clr	Columbus, Ohio	73	55	Cldy	Hartford Spgfld	82	64	Rain	Miami Beach	91	78	PCldy	Portland, Maine	80	60	Rain	St Ste Marie	71	52	Clr				
Bismarck	88	63	PCldy	Concord, N.H.	79	60	Cldy	Helena	84	53	Cldy	Midland-Odessa	98	71	PCldy	Portland, Ore.	74	52	Cldy	Seattle	70	53	Cldy				
Boise	84	61	Cldy	Dallas-Ft Worth	97	76	PCldy	Honolulu	88	74	PCldy	Milwaukee	72	57	Clr	Providence	83	66	Cldy	Shreveport	93	65	Clr				
Boston	82	65	Rain	Dayton	72	54	Cldy	Houston	97	75	PCldy	Mpls-St Paul	82	62	Clr	Raleigh-Durham	88	66	Cldy	Sioux Falls	84	64	Clr				
Brownsville	98	77	Clr	Denver	92	61	Clr	Indianapolis	74	57	PCldy	Nashville	80	57	PCldy	Rapid City	94	65	PCldy	Spokane	81	51	Clr				
Buffalo	73	57	Cldy	Des Moines	81	60	Clr	Jackson, Miss.	88	59	Clr	New Orleans	88	69	Clr	Reno	85	57	Cldy	Syracuse	74	61	Cldy				

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Focus on what flag represents

I beg to differ on the opinions stated by the writer of "Recycling poster offensive" (letter, Aug. 14), on the supposed offensive nature of a poster that features an American flag made of recycled materials. He states that it's a travesty to display the flag in such a manner. The real travesty is the missed point.

If the flag represents everything that the major is here fighting for, why is he stuck on the item itself instead of what it represents? And since when is recycling trash and creating something new from the debris a travesty? Is this not an excellent metaphor for the war itself?

I can't think of anything better or more noble than rebuilding and creating a symbol of freedom and liberty from something that used to be worthy of the trash can.

The saying goes, "One man's trash is another man's treasure." If one considers the poster trash, that's great, but I choose to take it as the treasure it really is — it's still my country's flag, no matter what materials are used.

Cmdr. Kristin Barnes
Camp Arifjan, Kuwait

The bar has been lowered

In reference to "Army screening NCOs to rid service of marginal leaders" (article, Aug. 18), about the reinstatement of the Qualitative Management Program and the impending records reviews for substandard noncommissioned officers: I believe this is too little, too late.

In our quest to swell the ranks, we became stuck with leaders who are severely lacking in physical fitness, appearance, tactical and technical knowledge and people skills in general, because we allowed the bar to be lowered.

How is it too late? Because the attitude these substandard leaders brought forth was allowed to permeate the ranks and we have now marinated in it.

Slack behavior, deviation from written standards and flouting of regulations are all now the rule rather than the exception, and they have bled down through the ranks enough to have become standard operating procedure. Complacency and incompetence are like highly communicable diseases, and a 2 percent cut of those who are near the eve of their retirement anyway is the equivalent of a Flintstone's chewable.

I'll fight the aforementioned problems to the very last, but I know that the Army can do better than a drop in the bucket.

Staff Sgt. Joseph M. Sarmiento
Camp Liberty, Iraq

Reclaim Army's standards

In response to "Manipulating regulations," (letter, Aug. 20): Kudos to the letter writer!

I have long been an advocate of doing what has already been agreed upon, instead of making up yet another standard (perfect example: forcing subordinates to spit-shine leather boots when we had them, instead of enforcing Army Regulation 670-1 at the time that said leather boots only had to be highly brush-shined). In my observations,

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many leaders these days either:

1. Do not know how to research an Army standard.

2. Or have no idea that a standard or regulation already exists and they make up their own standard instead of researching it or asking superiors.

3. Or possess such a high ego that they have to satisfy it by doing something their own way, thus claiming it as their own success story.

4. Or want so badly to look more elite that they unnecessarily raise a standard.

To noncommissioned officers: It's time to reclaim our Army standards from the sad status quo of the last several years. I can easily argue that there are enough Army regulations and standard procedures out there that can consume the majority of a duty day, when they are done correctly.

To commanders and senior leaders: Please stop pushing agendas that create more standards and workloads in instances where the Army already has sufficient policies in place. Instead, consult your subject matter experts and senior NCOs and inspect your subordinates to Army standards and regulations while holding them accountable. This is what the Command Inspection Program used to accomplish. These days, it's only a check in a block.

Staff Sgt. Jason Long
Wiesbaden, Germany

Solving translator problems

I read "Firm that provides Arabic translators criticized," (article, Aug. 16), on the issues faced with getting translators. I am an active-duty Marine and hold a secondary military occupational specialty of translator.

I deployed to Pakistan in 2005 as part of a relief effort in response to the earthquake that devastated the region. I was the only translator attached to a field hospital comprising 220 sailors and Marines. There were three other language speakers posted with our security detail. Professional translators were to be hired through the State Department in country. That never materialized.

In the first three days we treated about 200 patients. Finally, frustrated with the excruciatingly slow pace, I asked a patient, a local college student, if he spoke English and would help. The young man not only stayed for 10 hours, he brought two friends the following day. Within days we had five young men and two young ladies, all college students, assisting our doctors.

The patient turnover went from 60 a day to 250-plus a day. It took two weeks to cut through red tape to get these translators compensation. Eventually we started paying them about \$1.70 per hour. We ended the deployment with seven men and six ladies translating for our doctors in triage. More than 14,000 patients were treated at our facility in three months and the cost of translators came to just under \$9,800.

If the service is frustrated at not having enough translators, we are doubly so at not being able to alleviate the problem. The services pay exorbitant amounts to professional translators from host nations. These individuals have no service affiliation or loyalty beyond a paycheck. We have people who have the aptitude and desire to be translators. We should grow our own.

Gunnery Sgt. Suleman Sobani
Camp Buehring, Kuwait

Little support for families

After four years in the Army I have decided the military does not care about soldiers' families.

When I enlisted, there was an article about family being capitalized to show the importance of our families. I rarely see anything that shows support for military families. I see a system that looks out for the best interests of the Army.

Many enlisted soldiers come from modest backgrounds. Soldiers receive their bonus, which is probably the most cash they ever had. This "wealth" gives them a false sense of financial security.

Their next move is to get married. The soldier then leaves for Iraq or Afghanistan. Within months, the spouse begins depleting the bank account. The soldier returns to a broken home and bank account.

But the military has a system to help. The per diem check usually hits a soldier's bank account when he realizes he has nothing left. Then he must decide: Does he re-enlist and get the money to start over, or does he leave and hope he has job skills for the real world? Many people re-enlist, even though they hate their job.

This is what the military wants for the families of enlisted soldiers — cheap labor for an extended period of time.

The answer to why so many soldiers commit suicide is simple: too much, too fast, over too long a period of time. Soldiers choose suicide because there is no life in the military and they have not been given the training to get a real job. The solution to these problems would be simple: quarterly training for all soldiers in order to make them accountable for failed marriages.

I love my job, my wife and son. It just amazes me that these issues are as clear as day, yet no one talks about them.

SpC. John "Rudy" Rudolph
Iraq

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



OPINION

Iran not smooth in attitude toward velvet

By HALEH ESFANDIARI

WASHINGTON

Two years ago, I was released from Evin Prison after 105 days in solitary confinement. I was arrested in early 2007 on the ludicrous charge of attempting to foment a "velvet revolution" to overthrow the Iranian government and held as a political prisoner by the Intelligence Ministry. Even President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has acknowledged the absurdity of these charges; this month, explaining why he recently fired his minister of intelligence, he noted that the intelligence chief had made himself the subject of ridicule by charging "a 70-year-old woman" with wanting to start a revolution. (Actually, I was 67 then.) Rather, Ahmadinejad said, the spy chief should have exposed the real instigators of this plot.

The Iranian government imagines that it is now going after the real instigators — and it fails to see the damage it is causing its own society.

Thousands were arrested in the protests after the June 12 presidential election that large numbers of Iranians believe was rigged in Ahmadinejad's favor. More than 100 of the protesters and their leaders were put on trial this month. The charge? Trying to foment a velvet revolution with the backing of foreign governments. The accused include not only ordinary demonstrators but also a former vice president, former members of parliament, and strategists and idea men who worked for two opposition presidential candidates, Mir Hossein Mousavi and Mehdi Karrubi, in the disputed election. Truly, the revolution has begun to devour its children.

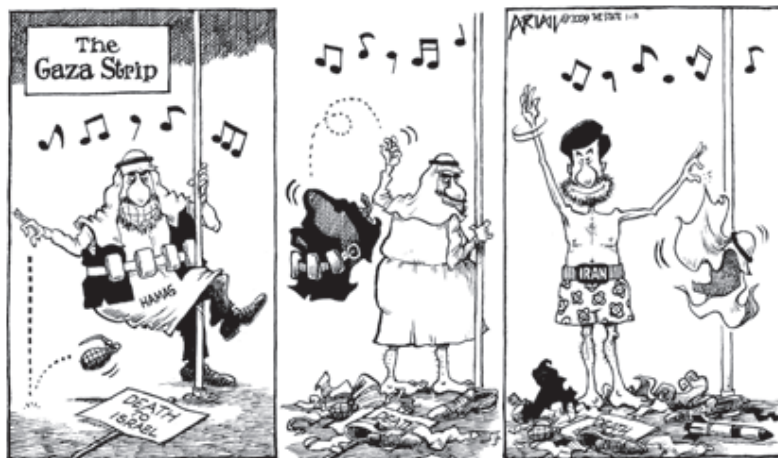
In weeks of interrogation during my incarceration in 2007, I came to understand only too well the paranoia that drives Iran's security agencies and its hard-liners. These men fear that they will be overthrown by a mass movement of their own people, similar to the popular movements,

or "velvet revolutions," that toppled autocratic regimes of the former Soviet empire in Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus. They have convinced themselves that those earlier movements were not homegrown but were planned and orchestrated by the United States. They believe America is scheming to pull off a similar upheaval in Iran.

My interrogators explained to me that the United States, bogged down in wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, no longer contemplates military action against Iran. Rather, they said, Washington is engaged in a long-term plan for regime change in which a crucial role is assigned to America's great universities and think tanks, such as the one where I work. These institutions target Iran's intellectual elites — the same class that led political revolutions in Georgia and Ukraine. They use fellowships, conferences, workshops and speaking invitations to recruit Iranian intellectuals, journalists, academics and political activists, and they turn them into willing or unwitting partners in this conspiracy. The plan feeds upon itself: ideas, recruitment, linkages with politicians, mass protests and then regime overthrow.

I was supposed to be the mastermind or at least a key player in this project. My chief interrogator offered to let me off if I implicated my employer, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. At one point I replied to my interrogators that Iran is not a banana republic to be overthrown by 20 scholars sitting around a conference table.

Eventually, I was freed. But in the mass "trials" that began this month, the government prosecutor laid out precisely the same "conspiracy" I was charged with. Using the same mad logic I faced during interrogation, he managed to link together foreign governments, the BBC, other journalists, a French-language teacher, anti-regime monarchists, a former guerrilla organization and prominent leaders of the Islamic



Republic. All are supposed to have joined hands to bring about regime change.

A million Iranians poured into the streets in June in support of Mousavi and to protest a stolen election. The protests chilled the regime; the worst fears of the security agencies seemed to be playing out. It did not register with the government that the protesters were calling for reform, not revolution. The demonstrators saw in Mousavi, an insider, the possibility of change: greater political and social freedoms, an end to fear from secret police and morals police, a more moderate foreign policy, a greater openness to the outside world.

Yet it is precisely such change that Iranian hard-liners have always feared. The regime panicked and brutally cracked down, and the most hard-line elements have emerged on top. They are setting the agenda, and they see the chance to rid themselves, for good, of the moderates and reformists in their midst. Hence the show trials, the coerced confessions, and

the calls for Mousavi and Karrubi to be prosecuted.

The result is a deep cleavage in the Iranian leadership. The trials have caused as much revulsion at home as abroad. Prominent Iranians have described the proceedings in Tehran as "Stalinist"; Karrubi has persisted in charges that prisoners have been tortured, raped and killed; increasingly, Iran's supreme leader is being criticized.

As Karrubi pointed out, the widespread discontent will not be easily silenced. Iran's hard-liners have long feared a foreign-inspired upheaval. Ironically, they seem to have accomplished what their ubiquitous foreign "enemies" could not: They have planted the seeds for their own, homegrown velvet revolution.

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Lower drinking age increases access, not safety

Chicago Tribune editorial

Last year about this time, a group of more than 100 college presidents caused a stir by launching a push to lower the drinking age to 18. Their goal: to cut down on the pernicious, sometimes lethal problem of binge drinking on campus.

The presidents called it the Amethyst Initiative, named after the ancient Greek words that mean "not intoxicated." The college leaders hoped that a lower drinking age would encourage more responsible drinking on campus. That it would douse the forbidden thrill of bingeing before a frat party or other public appearance.

What are the Greek words for, "You've got to be kidding?"

We said then that those college presidents were right to be alarmed about underage drinking on campus. But we also said cutting the legal drinking age is the wrong answer. It would encourage more alcohol abuse, not less, and could spill over into more drinking among even younger kids.

Now there's a sobering new study that should spur those presidents to rethink Amethyst.

Researchers writing in the Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry state that raising the drinking age to 21 has been largely effective in reducing binge drinking everywhere, except — you guessed it — on college campuses.

The study says that among men between

18 and 20 who were not in college, binge drinking plummeted by more than 30 percent from 1979 to 2006. At the same time, such drinking among college men was "as prevalent as ever," it says.

There was no similar difference between underage women in college or not. But there was a sharp surge in binge drinking — defined in this study as five or more drinks in a row in the past 30 days — among college women age 21 to 23. The study doesn't delve into explanations for these disturbing trends. But we'd guess there are several reasons that the anti-binge drinking message isn't penetrating college campuses.

For one thing, young adults who aren't in college are more likely to still be living at home and therefore under at least some parental monitoring. They're also more likely to have jobs. It's a lot easier to skip a class in the morning to nurse a hangover than it is to call in sick to work. Bosses aren't likely to be as forgiving as the Psych 101 prof.

Whatever the reasons, the lesson couldn't be clearer for the college presidents who think lowering the drinking age would solve their campus drinking problems. It won't.

The best way to curb binge drinking on campus isn't to make it easier for kids to

knock back a few legally. It's to enforce local laws against serving or selling to minors. And making sure that residence hall advisers are riding herd, not looking the other way. And finding innovative ways to convince college kids that they risk their health, and their lives, with heavy drinking. That it's not cool.

Kids in high school are getting the message: Binge drinking rates among them are at historic lows, off more than one-third from the peak years of 1979-83, the report said.

But then they go to college and ... sign up for Drinking 101.

Prickly City

By SCOTT STANTIS



Naked passenger arrested on flight

CA OAKLAND — Authorities say a St. Louis-bound Southwest Airlines flight was forced to return to Oakland International Airport after a male passenger stripped, hit another passenger and fought with crewmembers.

Alameda County sheriff's deputies say flight 947 returned after 21-year-old Darius Chappille of Oakland allegedly exposed himself to the female passenger sitting next to him and punched her in the face.

Lt. Howard Jacobs says flight attendants and other passengers then subdued Chappille, as he disrobed. He was apparently completely naked when sheriff's deputies arrested him.

Chappille and the woman were taken to the hospital for minor injuries.

Councilmen seeking transparency on project

HI HONOLULU — Two City Council members said Oahu's planned \$5.4 billion commuter rail project should proceed, but they added city officials should have been forthcoming about a potential \$500 million shortfall in revenue to pay for it.

City Council Chairman Todd Apo and Councilman Charles Djou said the city should have released a May 1 draft report on the project to the council.

City Transportation Director Wayne Yoshioka said the May 1 report that the city sent to the Federal Transit Administration was only a draft and that an upcoming report in September will address the financial situation of the project.

Fate of teen Christian convert in judge's hands

FL ORLANDO — The fate of a 17-year-old ethnic Sri Lankan girl who ran away from her home in Ohio because she says she feared punishment for converting from Islam to Christianity could be decided in a courtroom in Florida.

An Orlando judge heard arguments about whether 17-year-old Rifqa Bary should stay in state custody in Florida or be returned to her family in Columbus, Ohio.

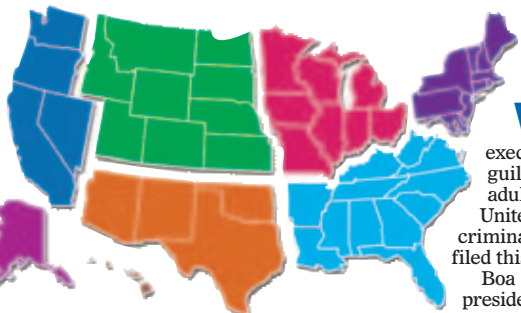
The teenager disappeared last month and police used phone and computer records to track her to the Rev. Blake Lorenz, pastor of Orlando-based Global Revolution Church, who she had met through an online Facebook prayer group.

The girl's family members say they have never threatened to harm her.

County seeks rehearing of dinosaur lawsuit

SD SIOUX FALLS — Harding County commissioners have petitioned an appeals court for a rehearing in the continuing saga over who holds ownership rights to the remains of Tinker the teenage T-rex.

Earlier this month, a three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed a ruling that Ron Frithiof of Texas and his partners did not engage in fraud or



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trespass, and that Harding County must abide by the November 2000 lease that entitles it to just 10 percent of any sale proceeds.

Attorney Ken Barker in the filing says the panel based its decision on its belief that the county waived or ratified Frithiof's act of conversion, yet the issue was not raised at the district court. Barker also says the case was decided without consideration of whether an implied trust was created.

Stores open earlier for school tax-free shopping

TX DALLAS — Shoppers wanting deals headed to stores for the Texas sales tax-free weekend before most public schools open.

Some stores advertised plans to open early and close later than normal.

The Texas comptroller's office said the law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes.

The agency said backpacks under \$100 and used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt.

The 2009 Legislature expanded the list of items qualifying for the sales tax exemption to include most school supplies priced at less than \$100.



Under new leadership
The 14th Archbishop of New Orleans Gregory Aymond speaks after his installation Mass held in the St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans.

Executive pleads guilty

WA SEATTLE — A Chinese executive has pleaded guilty in a plot to smuggle adulterated honey into the United States, one of two criminal cases on the subject filed this year.

Boa Zhong Zhang, vice president of Changge Jixiang Bee Products Ltd. in Henan province, China, pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Seattle to conspiracy to smuggle goods into the country by using false statements and to introducing adulterated foods into interstate commerce.

Zhang, who worked at the company for 30 years, faces up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine when he is sentenced Nov. 30.

Still facing charges in the case is Chung Po Liu, 68, of Bellevue, owner of Rainier Cascade and Evergreen Produce.

Both were charged with arranging to ship \$1.6 million worth of honey to Thailand and the Philippines and relabel it as originating in those countries to avoid paying \$3.3 million in U.S. punitive antidumping tariffs on honey from China.

Solar-powered meters causing some confusion

TX AUSTIN — Hundreds of drivers are still doing it wrong in Austin when it comes to new solar-powered meters and how to pay to park.

A grace period was in effect, one day after the city announced that drivers who incorrectly display a parking pay stub will first receive a warning.

Austin in late July began installing new meters, including directions on where to put the stubs indicating the driver had paid.

Since then more than 600 tickets have been issued to people who incorrectly displayed the stickers.

Injured schoolgirl wins suit against state

HI WAILUKU — A 12-year-old girl who hasn't been able to walk since breaking her leg five years ago in a fall at a public school on Maui has won a lawsuit filed against the state.

Circuit Judge Joel August has awarded Jacqueline "Jackie" Bergill-Gentile about \$787,000 for her past and future medical expenses as well as other economic damages. Her mother, Elizabeth Bergill-Gentile, received \$100,000 for emotional distress.

Son says Kennedy is 'frustrated' to be away

RI PROVIDENCE — Rep. Patrick Kennedy says his father, Massachusetts Sen. Edward Kennedy, has been "very frustrated" to be absent from Washington during the debate over health care reform.

Patrick Kennedy, a Rhode Island Democrat, said his father has a unique ability to read his colleagues and to negotiate compromises.

The 77-year-old Massachusetts senator has made health care a core issue during his 47 years in Washington. He was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor in May 2008.



Fighting shape

Norwich, Conn., firefighter Nate Kannas whips a firehose up and down during his department's

twice-weekly morning workouts with a personal trainer. The crews are finishing up a four-month program paid for jointly by the city and firefighters union, but they hope to find funding to continue the workouts.



Two for one

A double rainbow forms over a pond after a downpour in Saukville, Wis.



Sun-worshipper

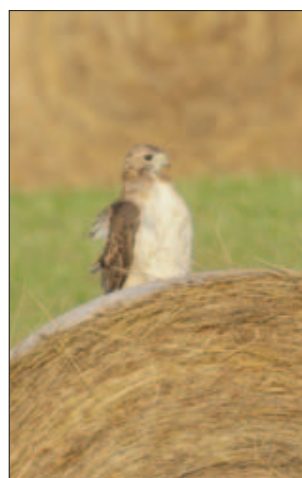
Steven Baldoni, a hair stylist from Paris, sunbathes in New York's Bryant Park, as temperatures climbed into the 80s



Diving in Sam Woodward, 12, dives over Jackman Mickiewicz, 12, into the water at Ferry Beach in Scarborough, Maine. The world's oceans this summer are heating up to their warmest on record.



Assessing the havoc Alec Tucker, 13, enters his house through one of the living room walls that was blown out in a tornado in Williamsville, Ill. The tornado damaged 25 buildings in Williamsville, including a church.



Well-educated perch A red-tailed hawk sits on a round bale of hay on the West Campus of the University of Kansas in Lawrence.



Wards of the zoo Emperor tamarin monkey twins Lara and Lucy peek at caretakers from their home in the nursery of Colorado's Denver Zoo. The twins are being cared for by zookeepers after they were orphaned when their mother died from cancer, three weeks after giving birth to the pair.

Woman found 20 years after breaking parole

FL FORT LAUDERDALE — A former legal secretary for the State Attorney's Office has been arrested in Texas on a 20-year-old warrant.

Sixty-one-year-old Linda R. Cook allegedly fled from Florida after serving three years in prison and one year of community supervision for fatally shooting her sister in Fort Lauderdale. Cook turned herself in after the shooting, and said she blamed the woman for her father's suicide in 1983.

She is being held in San Antonio on charges of abandoning probation. The Broward State Attorney's Office will decide whether to extradite Cook back to Florida.

Chlorine spill brings firefighters to hotel

TX HOUSTON — A chlorine spill at a Houston hotel led to an emergency response by firefighters and treatment of two people.

The accident happened on the fifth floor of the Westin Galleria.

Fire Department District Chief Tommy Dowdy says a pool maintenance worker spilled powdered chlorine, which became wet and emitted fumes.

Dowdy says the worker and one guest at the 487-room hotel were treated at the scene for exposure to chlorine, which can irritate eyes and lungs. Both suffered minor injuries.

The Westin Galleria Houston remained open.

Wikipedia gets \$500,000 from education grant

CA SAN FRANCISCO — The nonprofit organization that operates the popular online encyclopedia Wikipedia has received a \$500,000 grant from The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation to expand its work bringing free educational content to people around the globe.

The Hewlett Foundation says Wikipedia plays an important role in making information freely accessible.

San Francisco-based Wikimedia says the grant will help it make its software more user friendly, develop training materials to engage new potential volunteer editors and set up key metrics to track the organization's impact.

State confiscates 2 elephants from home

TX LEGGETT — A Texas man accused of mistreating his elephants can keep one of the animals after agreeing to give up two and pay a federal fine.

Willie Davenport, 24, of Leggett, who comes from a family involved in circuses, has denied mistreating the elephants, named Boo, Jewel and Tina. Inspectors found the animals were chronically underweight and lacked proper veterinary care.

Davenport gave up 40-year-old Jewel and 39-year-old Tina, both Asian elephants, to end his fight with regulators. He will keep Boo, who has been with his family since the 1960s.

Davenport also agreed to pay a \$3,000 fine in exchange for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service dropping complaints against him for failing

to have proper purchasing permits for Jewel and Tina.

Safety officials reissue warning after 2 deaths

DC WASHINGTON — Government safety officials have warned parents about Simplicity bassinets after two more infants were killed when they became trapped.

Two young children died after getting trapped in previously recalled Simplicity close-sleeper/bedside sleeper bassinets, the Consumer Product Safety Commission disclosed.

The company's 3-in-1 and 4-in-1 convertible bassinets contain metal bars spaced farther apart than federal standards allow. If the Velcro-fastened fabric covering the metal bars of the bassinets is not properly adjusted, it can be dangerous.

All of the bassinets manufactured before May 18, 2008, have been recalled. This includes some sold under the Graco brand, some with a Winnie-the-Pooh motif, as well as other bassinets.

Recalled bassinets can be returned to the retail stores where they were purchased. For details on the affected products, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/lr4gw>.

Man admits he didn't have the right to party

CA SAN MARCOS — A man has been accused of breaking into foreclosed and other vacant homes to throw paid parties that resulted in thousands of dollars in damage.

Jovan Araujo, 21, remains jailed after pleading not guilty to two felony counts each of burglary and vandalism.

Fallbrook sheriff's Detective Jeff Lauhon told the North County Times that Araujo and his friends found secluded million-dollar homes that were for sale or in foreclosure.

Prosecutors claim they set up all-night raves advertised on MySpace.

Authorities say teenagers paid \$5 each and left some homes trashed.

Business group warns of scams in the Midwest

MIN ST. PAUL — The Better Business Bureau of Minnesota and North Dakota is warning consumers about a company moving into the area that's making big promises on the Web that might be too good to be true.

The bureau said its investigation of Austin, Texas-based iJango suggests the company may be offering an illegal pyramid scheme. It says it came to that conclusion after meeting with iJango's Chief Executive Officer Rayner Smith.

The bureau said an advertisement for iJango recently appeared in the Twin Cities area.

The bureau says iJango offers a "business opportunity" in which clients are paid for recruiting customers and other recruiters. The BBB has received complaints about iJango.

The company did not immediately respond to a request for a response to the bureau's allegations.

Stories and photos from wire services

Horoscope

The moon shifts from Libra to Scorpio, intensifying relationships. What starts as friendly banter evolves into exchanges that are heavy in meaning. New options seem worthy of further investigation. Platonic love could turn romantic, or friends could go into business together. Interests become more passionate when they are shared.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (AUGUST 24). You contribute to the lives of others in such a positive way that they will be moved to celebrate you until you can't take the attention anymore! The exchange of knowledge leads to a breakthrough in business in November. December and January bring romantic distractions that feed back into the main road of your goals. Cancer and Leo adore you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If what you want is not what everyone else wants, that's perfectly acceptable. Abnormal is the new norm. Anyway, it's probably a passing fancy, but the creativity it inspires will last.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Just as you get down on one knee to communicate well with a child, so will you have to bring your high-minded concepts down to earthly terms to be understood by the general public.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Being you isn't easy, but you benefit from making it look like it is. Think of yourself as a magician. Don't let anyone see the inner makings of the trick. Just pull it off and say, "Voilà!"

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You could use some funny stuff in your life and should start seeing this as a necessity, not a luxury. When was the last time you laughed until your jacket split? You're due for a serious humor fix. Taurus can help.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You like someone so much that you are tempted to drop your guard to try and make a connection. But you will make a stronger connection when you do

not drop your guard. Remain in control of the relationship dynamic.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Lingering around on the phone, in a meeting or after a class sends a message to the universe that you don't have enough to do. That's so not true! Make your goodbyes short and sweet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It may seem that you are very far away from your career goal. It's true that there are hundreds of steps to take, but the first one counts just as much as any of the others. Decide where you want to go and head in that direction.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Trim the unnecessary words out of your discourse and you'll have a strong impact. You'll be teaching, even when you don't mean to be. Your example instructs others how to move gracefully in the world.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Be careful where you put your attention. Your energy is strong. If you flirt with someone, they could fall in love with you. And you have a similar effect in business situations. You could be offered an exclusive contract.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your work has introduced you to a wider variety of people than most will know in a lifetime. Use your gift for bringing people together who would never meet if it weren't for you. The results will be magical.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If you get caught up in the minutia of details, like counting the cost of things down to the penny, it's a signal that you need to get away from things. When you come back, you'll once again be able to see the big picture.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Others depend on you to lead the way. You might have mixed feelings about it. But this isn't a case of "the blind leading the blind." You know what you're doing, and you should be in charge. Step up.

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Holiday Mathis



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Yesterday's solution

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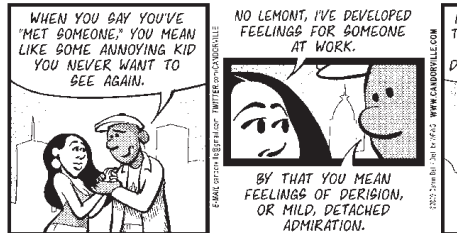
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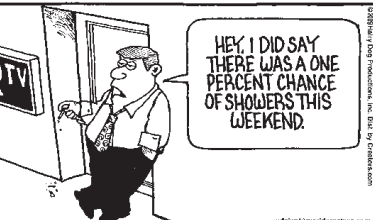
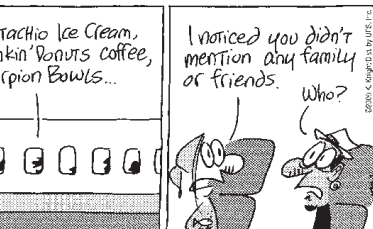
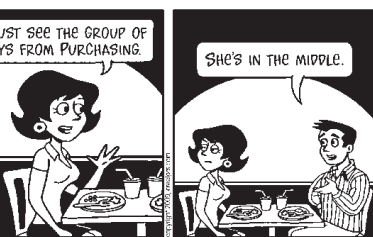
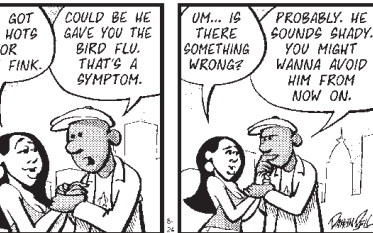
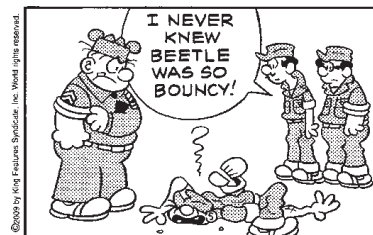
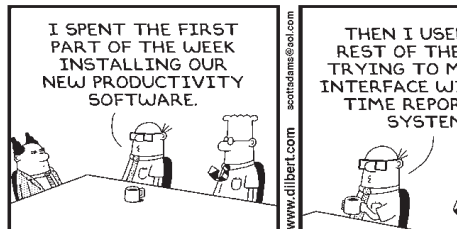
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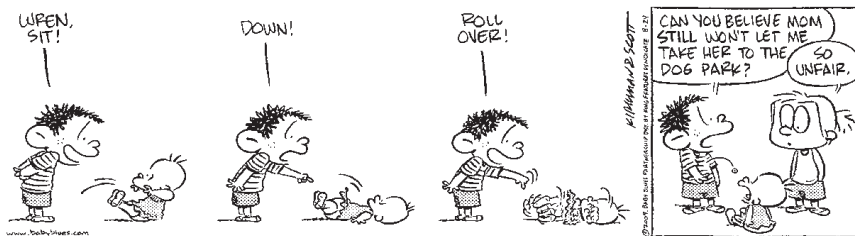
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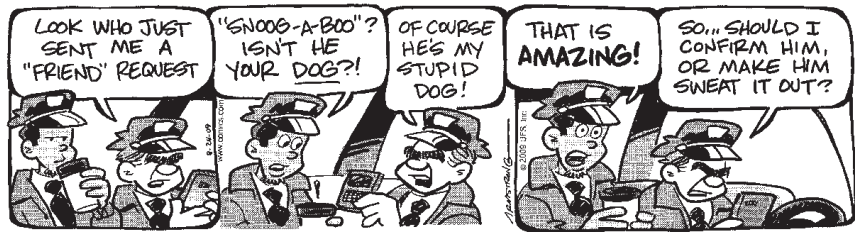
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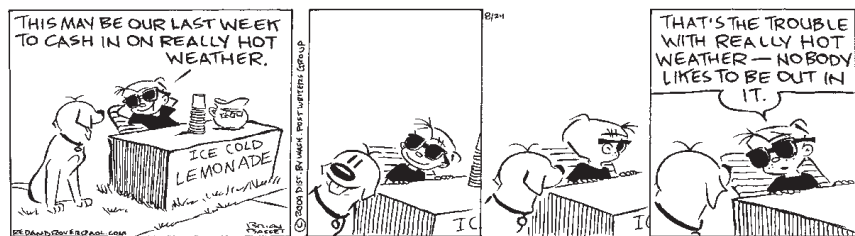
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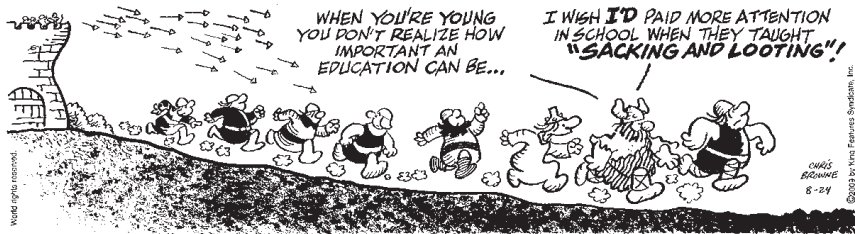
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- Rage
- Pop flavor
- Caboose's place
- Erupt
- Change the title
- Groups of lions
- Body powder
- Slithery fish
- Escape
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- Rowing need
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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COULD ONE CALL THAT CAPITAL GAIN?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals H

She's miffed at late condolences

Dear Abby: We received a nasty note from our daughter-in-law, "Ariella." She lives several states away. Her father passed away about six weeks ago. They lived out of state, and we were never close with them.

Ariella is angry because we didn't send flowers to the viewing and didn't send her mother a sympathy card until two weeks after the funeral.

We're in our late 70s. Ariella's father was 89. Should we have sent flowers? And is two weeks after a death too late to send a sympathy card? Our other children each received identical notes from Ariella.

Dear Abby



lance with which you treated the death of Ariella's father surprises me.

No law says you were obligated to send flowers for the funeral — but to have done so would have been a compassionate gesture and let her and her mother know you cared. To then wait two weeks before extending any condolences was cold in light of the fact that you could have picked up the phone and done it immediately — and the same goes for your children.

Dear Abby: After 35 years living out of state, my parents have moved to my hometown, and I am thrilled to have them so near.

My problem: Now that I'm seeing my mother on a daily basis, I know what I'm going to look like in 20 years. She and I recognize our physical similarities and laugh about them: our noses, our coloring and our rear ends, etc. These genes will override any "magic

cream" on the market.

Mother has many qualities that I admire and aspire to have, but I guess I wasn't ready for a preview peek into the aging mirror. I have never considered myself vain, but I would like to be slimmer and keep a more youthful appearance. Is it hopeless? The problem isn't my mother — it's me.

— **Afraid Of Destiny**

Dear Afraid: It's not hopeless. Biology doesn't have to dictate one's destiny. Your diet and lifestyle can have a tremendous effect on your appearance in 20 years. Also, men and women seem to have aged more slowly in recent decades.

If you want reassurance, drag out some old family albums and take a look at how your aunts, uncles and grandparents looked at your age. Please don't obsess about something that may not happen because nothing ages a woman like stress.

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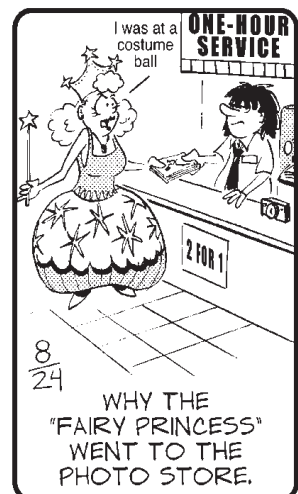
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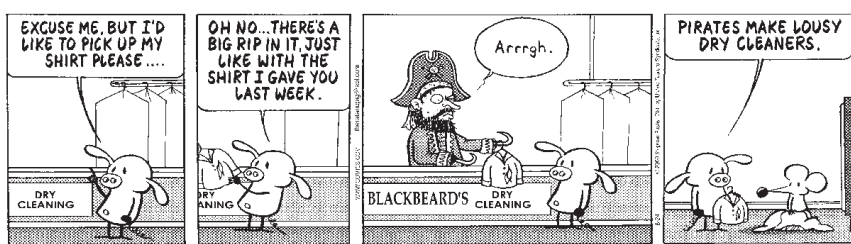
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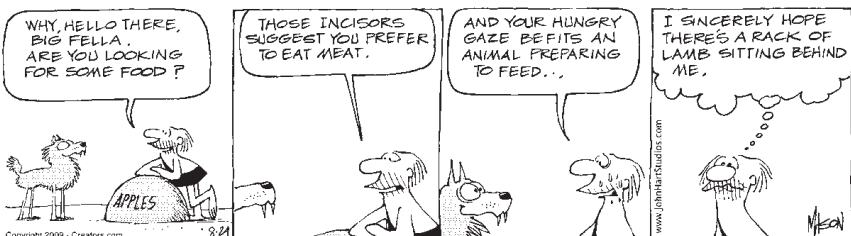


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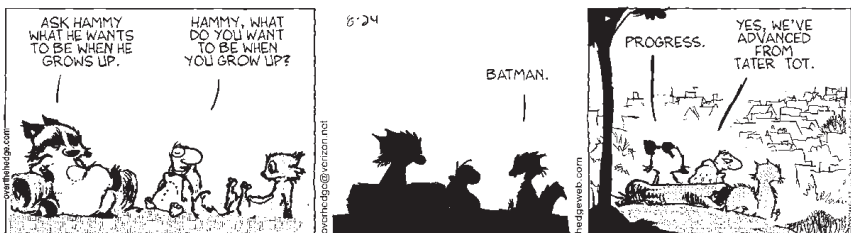
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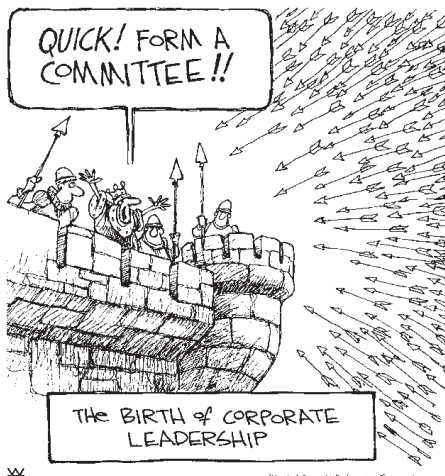
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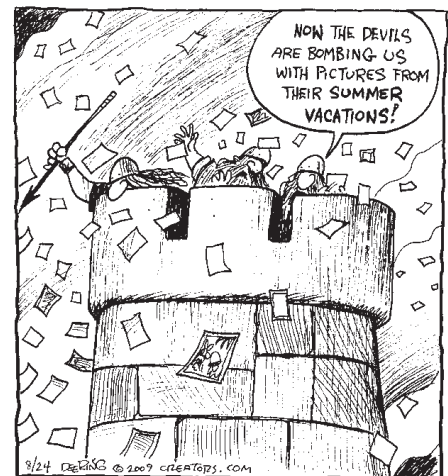
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2009

	(AFN-ATLANTIC)	(AFN-FAMILY)	(AFN-MOVIE)	(AFN-NEWS)	(AFN-PACIFIC)	(PENTAGON)	(SPECTRUM)	(AFN-SPORTS)	(XTRA)
15:00	Entertainers	(2:27) Movie "The Flintstones" (1994, Comedy)	(2:35) Movie "The Mask of Zorro" (1998, Adventure)	Huckabee	Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations "Ghana" Ghana.	Fit For Duty	Star Trek: Voyager "Relativity"	SportsCenter	(2:00) Athletics IAAF World Outdoor Championships.
15:30						Battleground			
16:00	In Touch-Dr	SpongeBob SquarePants	Antonio Banderas, Anthony Hopkins.	FOX Report	Dirty Jobs "Skull Cleaner"	Week-Pentagon	Heroes "The Hard Part"	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Tampa Bay Rays. From Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla. (Same-day Tape Subject to Blackout)	Sports
16:30	T.D. Jakes	SpongeBob SquarePants				Army Newswatch			
17:00	Coral Ridge Hour	Be the Creature "Spotted Hyena"	Movie "Meet the Parents" (2000, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller, Blythe Danner.	Newsroom	Ice Road Truckers "Mechanical Mayhem"	The Grill Sergeants	King of the Hill		
17:30	Crossing the Goal					USARJ This Week	That '70s Show		
18:00	Austin City Limits Polyphonic Spree and Ozomatli.	America's Funniest Home Videos		Glenn Beck	The Chris Matthews Show	Recon	The King of Queens		
18:30					ESPNNews	FNG Useful benefits.	Everybody-Raymond		
19:00	MotorWeek	Walking With Cavemen	Movie "Chasing Liberty" (2004) Mandy Moore. A Briton and the president's daughter travel Europe.	Newsroom	20/20	Today's Air Force	Top Chef Contestants must make a sweet treat.	SportsCenter	Sports
19:30	At the Movies	Cavemen shape-shift.				Fit For Duty			
20:00	Digging for the Truth The ground sloth.	Smallville "Turbulence"		Week-Pentagon	Medium "The First Bite Is the Deepest"	Battleground	Dirty Sexy Money "The Convertible"	Boxing Juan Diaz vs. Paulie Malignaggi. (Taped)	
20:30				Army Newswatch		Recon Revisited			
21:00	History's Mysteries Sea monsters.	Lincoln Heights Cassie and Charles sleep together.	(:03) Movie "White Chicks" (2004, Comedy) Shawn Wayans. Two male FBI agents pose as female socialites.	Today	Boston Legal "Dances With Wolves"	Week-Pentagon	Mad Men Peggy deals with a difficult assignment.		
21:30						National Guard News			
22:00	Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations "Ghana" Ghana.	Touched by an Angel "Into the Fire"		CBS News Sunday Morning	Headline News	Around the Services	Seinfeld		Sports
22:30					Saturday Night Live	Around the Services	Friends	(:45) ESPNEWS	
23:00	Dirty Jobs "Skull Cleaner"	7th Heaven "Paranoia"	(:04) Movie "Unbreakable" (2000) Bruce Willis.			Around the Services	Law & Order "Ramparts"	SportsCenter	
23:30				Face the Nation		Around the Services			

MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2009

00:00	Ice Road Truckers "Mechanical Mayhem"	Walking With Cavemen Cavemen shape-shift. (Part 2 of 2)	(11:04) Movie "Unbreakable" (2000, Suspense) Bruce Willis.	This Week With George Stephanopoulos	Comics Unleashed	Around the Services	24 "Day 6: 5:00PM - 6:00PM"	SportsCenter	(10:00) Sports
00:30					Two and a Half Men	Fit For Duty			
1:00	Sports	Smallville Tess tries to get Clark to reveal his powers.	(:02) Movie "Spaceballs" (1987) Mel Brooks, John Candy, Mel Brooks' big-budget sendup of science-fiction movies.	Meet the Press	NCIS "Brothers in Arms"	The Benning Report	Grey's Anatomy "Wishin' and Hopin'"	SportsCenter	Sports
1:30						The Grill Sergeants		Baseball Tonight	
2:00	MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Cleveland Indians. From Progressive Field in Cleveland. (Live)	Lincoln Heights Cassie and Charles sleep together.	(2:56) Movie "Chasing Liberty" (2004) Mandy Moore, Jeremy Piven. A Briton and the president's daughter travel Europe.	America's News HQ	Cold Case "8:03 AM"	VA News	Prison Break "Interference"	MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at New York Mets. From Citi Field in Flushing, N.Y. (Subject to Blackout) (Live)	MLB Baseball Florida Marlins at Atlanta Braves. From Turner Field in Atlanta. (Live)
2:30						This Week in the Pentagon			
3:00		Touched by an Angel "Into the Fire"		Newsroom	20/20	Army Newswatch	NUMB3RS "Undercurrents"		
3:30						FNG Useful benefits.			
4:00		7th Heaven "Paranoia"		Your Money	Medium "The First Bite Is the Deepest"	Battleground	Seinfeld "The Understudy"		
4:30						Today's Air Force	Friends		
5:00	Sports	Teletubbies	(4:59) Movie "White Chicks" (2004) Shawn Wayans, Marion Wayans. Two male FBI agents pose as female socialites.	America's News HQ	Boston Legal "Dances With Wolves"	Recon	Kiana's Flex Appeal	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Los Angeles Dodgers. From Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles. (Live)	Sports
5:30		Bear in the Big Blue House Sesame Street		Fareed Zakaria GPS	Good Morning America	The American Veteran	Denise Austin's Getting Fit		
6:00						USARJ This Week	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		
6:30						The Grill Sergeants	Paula's Home Cooking		
7:00		Peep-Big World	Entertainers	FOX News Sunday With Chris Wallace	This Week With George Stephanopoulos	This Week in the Pentagon	Giada at Home		
7:30		Handy Manny		FOX Report	Sesame Street	Army Newswatch	Living Fresh	Baseball Tonight	Sports
8:00	Sports	Dora the Explorer	The Big Tease			Fit For Duty	The Morning Show With Mike & Juliet		
8:30		The Upside Down Show	Entertainment Tonight			Downrange News from Iraq and Afghanistan.	Mad About You	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Boston Red Sox. From Fenway Park in Boston. (Subject to Blackout) (Live)	
9:00		Raggs	Movie "Interstate 60" (2002, Comedy) James Marsden, Gary Oldman. An aspiring painter travels across America.	State of the Union With John King	The View	Fit For Duty	Living Single		
9:30		Aladdin		Hannity	Dr. Phil	FNG Useful benefits.	Guiding Light		
10:00		Bratz							
10:30		Animaniacs							
11:00	Sports	Scooby-Doo, Where Are You!	(10:50) Movie "The Untouchables" (1987) Kevin Costner, Sean Connery. Eliot Ness and men fight Al Capone in Chicago.	Newsroom	Judge Alex	This Week in the Pentagon	E! News		Sports
11:30		Scooby-Doo, Where Are You!			The King of Queens	Fit For Duty	The Daily 10		
12:00	This Week	SpongeBob SquarePants		Huckabee	Access Hollywood	Battleground	Star Trek "The Cloud Minders"	SportsCenter	
12:30		SpongeBob SquarePants			Judge Judy	Exchange on Air			
13:00	Meet the Press	Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius	Movie "Footloose" (1984, Drama) Kevin Bacon, Lori Singer. Hip teen moves to corn town where pastor taboos dancing.	Larry King Live	The Young and the Restless	Briefing Encore	Roseanne		
13:30		WordGirl				Downrange	Girlfriends	SportsCenter	
14:00	Wall Street Journal Report	Play With Me Sesame		60 Minutes	General Hospital	FNG Useful benefits.	Emeril Live		Sports
14:30	ESPNNews	LazyTown				Recon			
15:00	Sesame Street	The Brady Bunch	Movie "Romancing the Stone" (1984) Michael Douglas. An adventurer helps a novelist find her kidnapped sister.	State of the Union With John King	Days of our Lives	Fit For Duty	Designers' Challenge	MLB Baseball	
15:30		The Brady Bunch				Battleground	The Soup		
16:00	The View	Movie "The Country Bears" (2002, Comedy) Christopher Walken, Stephen Tobolowsky.		This Week in the Pentagon	Oprah Winfrey	Tour of Duty	Lost Worlds "Lost City of Aphrodite"		Sports
16:30				Up to the Minute		This Week in the Pentagon			
17:00	Dr. Phil		Entertainers		Wheel of Fortune	VA News	King of the Hill		
17:30		SpongeBob SquarePants		Face the Nation	Jeopardy!	Downrange	That '70s Show (Part 1 of 2)		
18:00	Judge Alex	Robot Boy	Entertainment Tonight	Newsroom	Wall Street Journal Report	Exchange on Air	Daily Show-Jon Stewart	Quick Pitch	
18:30	The King of Queens	Kim Possible			Around the Services	Army Newswatch	The Colbert Report		
19:00	Access Hollywood	The Fairly OddParents	Movie "Spider-Man 3" (2007, Action) Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst, James Franco. Peter Parker faces new challenges and new villains.	Fox and Friends First	60 Minutes	Briefing Encore	Doctor Who Turning back the clock.	SportsCenter	WWE SmackDown!
19:30	Judge Judy	Growing Up Creepie				Fit For Duty			
20:00	The Young and the Restless	Hannah Montana		Today	NCIS "Caged" McGee is held captive in a women's prison.	Battleground	Reaper "The Home Stretch"		
20:30		Unfabulous				Recon			
21:00	General Hospital	Smallville "Trespass"		Today	Big Brother 11 Nomination ceremony.	This Week in the Pentagon	Ghost Whisperer "Cursed"	ATP Tennis U.S. Open Series - Western & Southern Financial Group Masters -- Men's Final. From Cincinnati. (Same-day Tape)	Pros vs. Joes
21:30						The Grill Sergeants			
22:00	Days of our Lives	Beverly Hills, 90210 "A Competitive Edge"	(:36) Movie "National Security" (2003, Comedy) Martin Lawrence, Steve Zahn, Colin Firth.	America's Newsroom	Pacific Report	Briefing Encore	Seinfeld "The Engagement"		Important Things-Martin
22:30					The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien	Recon Revisited	Friends		The Man Show
23:00	Oprah Winfrey	7th Heaven "Sometimes That's Just the Way It Is"	(:14) Movie "The Brothers" (2001) Morris Chestnut.	Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Today's Air Force	Daily Show-Jon Stewart	Hard Knocks: Training Camp With the Cincinnati Bengals	Sports
23:30						Downrange	The Colbert Report		

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2009

00:00	Wheel of Fortune	The Fairly OddParents	(11:14) Movie "The Brothers" (2001) Morris Chestnut.	MSNBC Live	Late Show-Letterman	The American Veteran	Late Night With Jimmy Fallon	SportsCenter	(11:00) Sports
00:30	Jeopardy!	Growing Up Creepie			The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson	Fit For Duty			
1:00	Headline News	Little League Baseball World Series Pool Play -- Germany vs. Mexico. From Williamsport, Pa. (Live)	(12:55) Movie "Mad Max 2: The Road Warrior" (1981, Science Fiction) Mel Gibson, Bruce Spence, Emil Minty.	Happening Now	Judge Judy	The Grill Sergeants	Criminal Minds "Sex, Birth, Death"	SportsCenter	
1:30	ATS/AFN Report			Newsroom	CSI: NY "City of the Dolls"	Around the Services			
2:00	60 Minutes					Downrange	NCIS "Witch Hunt"	MLB Baseball Philadelphia Phillies at New York Mets. From Citi Field in Flushing, N.Y. (Subject to Blackout) (Live)	WWE SmackDown!
2:30						All Hands TV			
3:00	NCIS "Caged" McGee is held captive in a women's prison.	Beverly Hills, 90210 "A Competitive Edge"	(2:46) Movie "Spider-Man 3" (2007, Action) Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst, James Franco. Peter Parker faces new challenges and new villains.	MSNBC Live	Oprah Winfrey	Recon	October Road		
3:30						State Dept Briefing			
4:00	Big Brother 11	7th Heaven "Sometimes That's Just the Way It Is"		Studio B With Shepard Smith	Dr. Phil	Battleground	Seinfeld "The Engagement"		Pros vs. Joes
4:30						Around the Services	Friends		
5:00	Headline News	Teletubbies		The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer	Final Score	Today's Air Force	Kiana's Flex Appeal	SportsCenter	Important Things-Martin
5:30	Tonight Show-Conan O'Brien	Bear in the Big Blue House	(:22) MovieNational Security		Headline News	The American Veteran	Denise Austin's Getting Fit	The Man Show	

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Motorcycles 164

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Auto Parts 180

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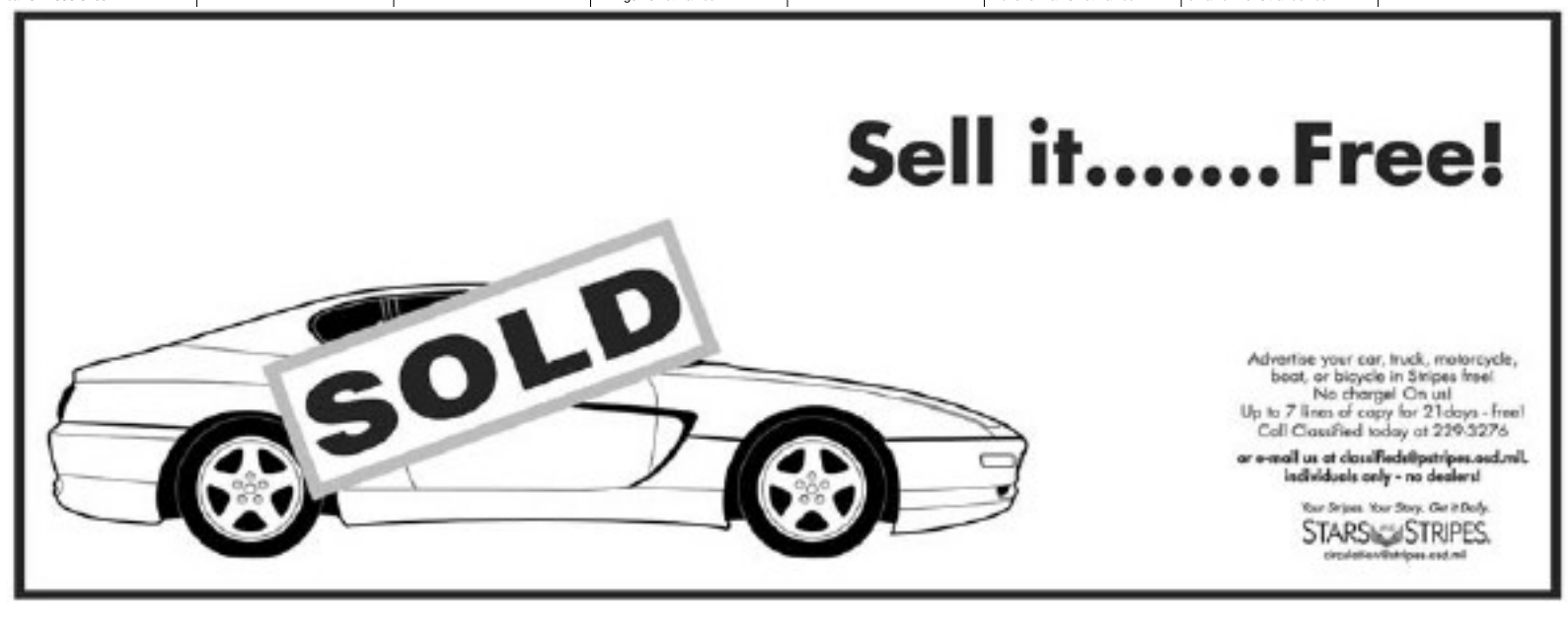
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Contact 916-473-4488 Yokota, Japan - Nikon lenses Nikon Super Wide Angle AF Nikkor 20mm 1/2.8D Autofocus Lens with a 62mm Ultraviolet UV Haze filter and a Hoya 62mm (Moose) Warm Circular Polarizer Glass Filter \$250 OBO and I also have a Nikon Wide Angle AF Nikkor 28mm 1/2.8D Autofocus lens with a 52mm tiffen haze filter \$150 OBO P l e a s e E m a i l jaredhodg9e15@hotmail.com Yokota, Japan - Toy chest/trunk have a blue top, tan bottomed toy chest that's 2ft wide by like 3ft long. Plastic asking \$ 15. I bought these last year and then got deployed and now PCS'ing to Guam for 4 years. Paid over \$200 and willing to part for \$150. Call 407-373-1342 or email owner@trandell.com Yokota, Japan - Brand New and never worn SPYDER Snowboarding Jacket and Pant set. Both are XL and will fit a person that is 6'1". The pant has suspenders with them that are detachable and the jacket has a hood and the arm is removable by zipper. Top of the line suit. 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SCOREBOARD

Correction

A Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, softball player in a photograph published in Aug. 13 editions should have been identified as Justin Rodriguez.

Sports on AFN

Sunday

AFN-Sports, 4 p.m.-MLB: Texas at Tampa Bay (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 4 p.m.-MLB: Cincinnati at Pittsburgh (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 7 p.m.-MLB: Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets (dld).
AFN-Sports, 8 p.m.-Boxing: Juan Diaz vs. Paul Malignaggi, lightweight (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 10 p.m.-MLS: Toronto at CD Chivas USA (dld).

Monday

AFN-Atlantic, 2 a.m.-MLB: Seattle at Cleveland.
AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.-MLB: Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets.
AFN-Atlantic, 5 a.m.-Golf: PGA Wyndham Championship, final round (joined in progress).
AFN-Sports, 5 a.m.-MLB: Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers.
AFN-Xtra, 6 a.m.-Auto racing: IndyCar Peak Antifreeze & Motor Oil Indy Grand Prix of Sonoma County.
AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.-MLB: N.Y. Yankees at Boston.
AFN-Xtra, 9:30 a.m.-MLS: Seattle at Houston.
AFN-Xtra, 2 p.m.-Track and field: IAAF world outdoor championships (dld).
AFN-Sports, 3 p.m.-MLB: Texas at Tampa Bay (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 4 p.m.-MLB: San Francisco at Colorado (dld).
AFN-Sports, 8:30 p.m.-Tennis: ATP Cincinnati, singles championship (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 11 p.m.-Drag racing: NHRA Toyo Tires Nationals (dld).

Tuesday

AFN-Family, 1 a.m.-Little League Baseball: World Series, Kaiserslautern vs. Mexico.
AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.-MLB: Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets.
AFN-Xtra, 8 a.m.-MLB: Tampa Bay at Toronto.
AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.-NFL exhibition: N.Y. Jets at Baltimore.
AFN-Xtra, 11 a.m.-MLB: Oakland at Seattle.
AFN-Sports, 4 p.m.-MLB: Chicago White Sox at Boston (dld).
AFN-Sports, 9 p.m.-MLB: Detroit at L.A. Angels (dld).

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	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	19	6	.760	—
Atlanta	14	11	.560	5
Connecticut	13	12	.520	6
Chicago	13	13	.500	6½
Washington	13	13	.500	6½
Detroit	9	14	.391	9
New York	10	16	.385	9½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	18	9	.667	—
Seattle	14	11	.560	3
Los Angeles	12	13	.480	5
Minnesota	11	14	.440	6
San Antonio	11	15	.423	6½
Sacramento	8	18	.308	9½

Thursday's games

Atlanta 93, San Antonio 87
Sacramento 67, Indiana 66

Friday's games

New York 85, Connecticut 83, OT
Los Angeles 67, San Antonio 66, OT
Washington 91, Phoenix 81

Saturday's games

Minnesota at Connecticut
Detroit at Chicago
Indiana at Seattle
Washington at Sacramento

Sunday's games

Los Angeles at Atlanta
Minnesota at New York
San Antonio at Detroit

AP spotlight

Aug. 24

1996 — Hsieh Chin-hsiung sets a Little League World Series record with his seventh home run as Taiwan wins the title for the 17th time with a 13-3 victory over Cranston, R.I.

Auto racing

Food City 250

NASCAR Nationwide Series

Friday

At Bristol Motor Speedway

Bristol, Tenn.

Lap length: .533 miles

(Start position in parentheses)

- (9) David Ragan, Ford, 254 laps, 125.8 rating, 190 points, \$50,545.
- (2) Carl Edwards, Ford, 254, 131.1, 175, \$37,350.
- (1) Brad Keselowski, Chevrolet, 254, 119, 170, \$40,293.
- (11) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 254, 130, 170, \$28,775.
- (4) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 254, 96.5, 155, \$24,650.
- (26) Jason Leffler, Toyota, 254, 96.3, 150, \$32,018.
- (7) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 254, 109.5, 146, \$24,110.
- (13) Michael Annett, Toyota, 254, 71.5, 142, \$30,238.
- (9) Paul Menard, Ford, 254, 85, 138, \$22,150.
- (19) Michael McDowell, Dodge, 254, 71.7, 134, \$29,143.
- (11) David Reutimann, Toyota, 254, 78.9, 130, \$21,700.
- (25) Matthew Carter, Ford, 254, 77.7, 127, \$30,168.
- (10) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 254, 100.1, 124, \$21,900.
- (14) Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 253, 70.6, 121, \$27,903.
- (37) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 253, 69, 118, \$28,608.
- (17) Jason Keller, Ford, 253, 81.4, 115, \$27,823.
- (8) Steve Wallace, Chevrolet, 253, 76.9, 112, \$27,778.
- (13) Benny Gordon, Ford, 252, 53.5, 109, \$21,565.
- (20) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 252, 90, 111, \$30,198.
- (24) Sean Murphy, Dodge, 252, 54.4, 103, \$28,158.
- (21) Scott Wimmer, Chevrolet, 251, 74, 100, \$27,593.
- (22) Ken Butler, Chevrolet, 251, 45.6, 97, \$27,548.
- (42) Tony Raines, Dodge, 250, 44.6, 94, \$28,238.
- (5) Trevor Bayne, Toyota, 250, 74.9, 91, \$27,453.
- (39) Eric McClure, Ford, 249, 40.1, 88, \$27,126.
- (26) Derrick Cope, Dodge, 236, 44.8, 85, \$20,860.
- (7) Justin Allgaier, Dodge, 226, 98.7, 87, \$27,268.
- (15) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 195, 65.4, 84, \$20,755.
- (29) Brad Coleman, Toyota, 177, 83.2, 76, \$27,198.
- (16) Brian Scott, Toyota, accident, 162, 71.6, 73, \$27,443.
- (18) Peyton Sellers, Chevrolet, accident, 161, 53.7, 70, \$20,635.
- (23) Danny O'Quinn Jr., Chevrolet, accident, 137, 60.5, 67, \$27,058.
- (21) John Wes Townley, Ford, suspension, 133, 49.1, 64, \$27,038.
- (36) Brad Teague, Chevrolet, ignition, 79, 35.7, 61, \$20,550.
- (12) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, accident, 52, 66.6, 58, \$20,535.
- (27) Chase Austin, Chevrolet, accident, 51, 43.9, 55, \$26,983.
- (14) Kasey Kahne, Toyota, overheating, 30, 63.6, 52, \$20,495.
- (29) Mark Green, Chevrolet, brakes, 25, 31.7, 49, \$26,923.
- (28) Coleman Pressley, Toyota, overheating, 23, 36, 46, \$26,898.
- (31) Kevin Lepage, Dodge, ignition, 13, 35, 42, \$20,405.
- (24) Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, transmission, 12, 32.9, 40, \$26,848.
- (34) Terry Cook, Chevrolet, brakes, 3, 30.4, 37, \$20,355.
- (35) Johnny Chapman, Chevrolet, ignition, 2, 28.8, 34, \$20,314.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 74.216 mph.

Time of Race: 1 hour, 49 minutes, 27 seconds.

Margin of Victory: Under Caution.

Caution Flags: 9 for 60 laps.

Lead Changes: 10 among 7 drivers.

Lap Leaders: B. Keselowski 1-35;

J. Allgaier 36-37; B. Keselowski 38-44;

C. Edwards 45-48; K. Harvick 49-51; K. Busch 52;

K. Harvick 53-140; B. Keselowski 141;

B. Gaughan 142-151; C. Edwards 152-198;

D. Ragan 199-254.

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): K. Harvick, 2 times for 91 laps; D. Ragan, 1 time for 56 laps; C. Edwards, 2 times for 51 laps; B. Keselowski, 3 times for 43 laps; B. Gaughan, 1 time for 10 laps; J. Allgaier, 1 time for 2 laps; K. Busch, 1 time for 1 lap.

Top 10 in Points: 1. K. Busch, 3,900; 2. C. Edwards, 3,652; 3. B. Keselowski, 3,597; 4. J. Leffler, 3,353; 5. J. Allgaier, 2,843; 6. S. Wallace, 2,785; 7. J. Keller, 2,727; 8. M. Bliss, 2,713; 9. B. Gaughan, 2,649; 10. M. McDowell, 2,608.

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula

A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.

The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

Sharpie 500 lineup

NASCAR Sprint Cup

After Friday qualifying: race Saturday

At Bristol Motor Speedway

Bristol, Tenn.

Lap length: .533 miles

(Car number in parentheses)

- (5) Mark Martin, Chevrolet, 124, 484.
- (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 124, 307.
- (82) Scott Speed, Toyota, 124, 146.
- (66) Dave Blaney, Toyota, 123, 97.
- (17) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 123, 897.
- (33) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 123, 889.
- (7) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 123, 754.
- (20) Joey Logano, Toyota, 123, 706.
- (39) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 123, 642.
- (43) Reed Sorenson, Dodge, 123, 61.
- (11) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 123, 586.
- (71) David Gilliland, Chevrolet, 123, 586.
- (2) Kurt Busch, Dodge, 123, 539.
- (83) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 123, 451.
- (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 123, 435.
- (29) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 123, 34.
- (26) Jamie McMurray, Ford, 123, 245.
- (00) David Reutimann, Toyota, 123, 126.
- (44) AJ Allmendinger, Dodge, 123, 103.
- (96) Bobby Labonte, Ford, 123, 047.
- (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 122, 984.
- (08) Terry Labonte, Toyota, 122, 843.
- (6) David Ragan, Ford, 122, 787.
- (1) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 122, 756.
- (25) Marcos Ambrose, Toyota, 122, 67.
- (4) Scott Wimmer, Chevrolet, 122, 646.
- (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 122, 584.
- (78) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 122, 576.
- (9) Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 122, 537.
- (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 122, 521.
- (7) Robby Gordon, Toyota, 122, 482.
- (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 122, 419.
- (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 122, 411.
- (12) David Stremme, Dodge, 122, 31.
- (37) Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 122, 217.
- (55) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, 122, 115.
- (31) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 122, 108.
- (77) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, 122, 053.
- (98) Paul Menard, Ford, 121, 389.
- (34) John Andretti, Chevrolet, 121, 244.
- (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, Owner Points.
- (19) Elliott Sadler, Dodge, Owner Points.
- (87) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, 121, 566.
- (36) Mike Skinner, Toyota, 121, 497.
- (13) Max Papis, Toyota, 120, 392.
- (64) Mike Wallace, Toyota, 119, 432.
- (09) Aric Almirola, Dodge, 118, 694.

Failed to Qualify

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- (09) Aric Almirola, Dodge, 118, 694.

Pro football

NFL exhibition

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	1	0	0	1.000	12	9
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	45	41
New England	1	1	0	.500	33	32
N.Y. Jets	0	1	0	.000	20	23

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	1	0	0	1.000	16	10
Tennessee	2	1	0	.667	58	68
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	26	28
Jacksonville	0	1	0	.000	9	12

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	1	0	0	1.000	23	0
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	20	10
Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	14	23
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	0	17

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	1	0	0	1.000	31	10
Denver	0	1	0	.000	16	17
San Diego	0	1	0	.000	14	20
Kansas City	0	2	0	.000	23	33

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	1	0	0	1.000	24	17
Dallas	1	0	0	.500	40	41
Washington	0	1	0	.000	0	23
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	40	50

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	17	7
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	46	40
Carolina	0	1	0	.000	17	24
Tampa Bay	0	1	0	.000	20	27

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	2	0	0	1.000	30	16
Detroit	1	0	0	1.000	27	26
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	17	0
Chicago	0	1	0	.000	20	27

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	1	0	0	1.000	17	16
Seattle	1	0	0	1.000	20	14
St. Louis	1	1	0	.500	36	40
Arizona	0	1	0	.000	10	20

Thursday's games

Cincinnati 7, New England 6
Indianapolis 23, Philadelphia 15

Friday's games

Dallas 30, Tennessee 10
Atlanta 20, St. Louis 13
Minnesota 17, Kansas City 13

Saturday's games

Carolina at Miami
Detroit at Cleveland
Pittsburgh at Washington
Tampa Bay at Jacksonville
Buffalo at Green Bay
New Orleans at Houston
N.Y. Giants at Chicago
Oakland at San Francisco
San Diego at Arizona
Denver at Seattle

Monday's game

N.Y. Jets at Baltimore
Thursday, Aug. 27
Jacksonville at Philadelphia
St. Louis at Cincinnati
Miami at Tampa Bay

Friday, Aug. 28

New England at Washington
Green Bay at Arizona

Saturday, Aug. 29

Indianapolis at Detroit
New Orleans at Oakland
Buffalo at Pittsburgh
Tennessee at Cleveland
San Diego at Atlanta
Baltimore at Carolina
N.Y. Jets at N.Y. Giants
San Francisco at Dallas
Seattle at Kansas City

Sunday, Aug. 30

Chicago at Denver
Monday, Aug. 31
Minnesota at Houston

NFL calendar

Sept. 1 — Roster cutdown to maximum of 75 players.
Sept. 5 — Roster cutdown to maximum of 53 players.

Sept. 10 — Season opener.
Oct. 12-13 — Fall owners meeting, Boston.
Oct. 20 — Trading deadline.
Jan. 9-10, 2010 — Wild card playoffs.
Jan. 16-17 — Divisional playoffs.
Jan. 24 — Conference championships.
Jan. 31 — Pro Bowl, Miami.
Feb. 7 — Super Bowl, Miami.
Feb. 24-March 2 — NFL combine, Indianapolis.
March 5 — Free agency begins.
March 21-24 — Annual owners meeting, Orlando, Fla.
April 22-24 — NFL Draft.

Deals

Friday's transactions

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball

MLB—Suspended N.Y. Mets RHP Santiago Valdez (Gulf Coast) for 50 games testing positive for a performance-enhancing substance.

American League

BOSTON RED SOX—Recalled RHP Michael Bowden from Pawtucket (IL). Activated Of Rocco Baldelli from the 15-day DL. Optioned OF Brian Anderson to Pawtucket. Designated RHP Fernando Cabrera for assignment.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Activated LHP Damaso Marte from the 60-day DL. Optioned 3B Ramiro Pena to Scranton-Wilkes Barre (IL).

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Activated INF Daric Barton from 15-day DL. Placed INF Bobby Crosby on 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 18.

National League

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Placed RHP Jesus Colome on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 18. Purchased the contract of LHP Chris Narveson from Nashville (PCL). Designated C Carlos Corporan for assignment.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Activated LHP Phil Dumaitrait from the 60-day DL. Placed RHP Jeff Karstens on the bereavement list. Transferred RHP Evan Meek to the 60-day DL.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS—Waived F Mark Madsen.

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS—Signed F Dante Cunningham to a multiyear contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Fined Carolina RB Mike Goodson \$7,500 for making a throat slash gesture after scoring a touchdown in an Aug. 17 game against the New York Giants.

BUFFALO BILLS—Signed DE Aaron Maybin to a five-year contract.

NEW YORK JETS—Re-signed QB Chris Pizzotti.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Signed F Marcel Goc to a one-year contract.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

NEW YORK RED BULLS—Announced the resignation of coach Juan Carlos Osorio. Named assistant coach Richie Williams coach for the remainder of the season.

COLLEGE

EMPIRE 8 ATHLETIC CONFERENCE—Announced Susquehanna, Moravian and Scranton will join the conference as associate members in men's golf, beginning this fall.

GANNON—Named Dave Patronik men's golf coach and Jason Willow women's golf coach.

JACKSONVILLE STATE—Suspended QB Ryan Perrilloux for one game for violating team rules.

JOHN JAY—Named DeVernie Winston men's basketball coach.

SCOREBOARD, FROM PAGE 24

Golf

Wyndham Championship			JELD-WEN Tradition		
PGA Tour			Champions Tour		
At Sedgefield Country Club			At Crosswater Club at Sunriver Course		
Greensboro, N.C.			Sunriver, Ore.		
Purse: \$5.2 million			Purse: \$2.6 million		
Yardage: 7,117; Par: 70			Yardage: 7,533; Par: 72		
a-amateur			Second Round		
Completed Second Round			First Round		
Chris Riley	66-63	-129 -11	Brad Bryant	62-72	-134 -10
Jeff Maggert	66-63	-129 -11	Fred Funk	68-67	-135 -9
Ryan Moore	64-65	-129 -11	Loren Roberts	65-71	-136 -8
Sergio Garcia	67-64	-131 -9	John Cook	69-67	-136 -8
Bill Haas	62-69	-131 -9	Larry Mize	69-67	-136 -8
Chez Reavie	64-67	-131 -9	Eduardo Romero	69-68	-137 -7
Kevin Stadler	69-63	-132 -8	Lonnie Nielsen	70-67	-137 -7
Boo Weekley	65-67	-132 -8	Mike Reid	70-67	-137 -7
Marc Leishman	67-65	-132 -8	Tom Lehman	67-71	-138 -6
Johnsong Wagner	66-66	-132 -8	Bruce Fleisher	69-69	-138 -6
Fred Couples	66-66	-132 -8	Craig Stadler	71-67	-138 -6
Jeev M. Singh	69-64	-133 -7	R.W. Eaks	68-71	-139 -5
John Senden	69-64	-133 -7	Gene Jones	74-65	-139 -5
Michael Allen	68-65	-133 -7	Keith Fergus	70-69	-139 -5
Ken Duke	66-67	-133 -7	Jim Thorpe	68-72	-140 -4
Justin Rose	65-68	-133 -7	Tom Kite	70-70	-140 -4
Glen Day	69-64	-133 -7	Mark O'Meara	69-71	-140 -4
Alex Cejka	67-66	-133 -7	Hal Sutton	69-71	-140 -4
J.J. Henry	69-64	-133 -7	Mark McNulty	69-71	-140 -4
Brandt Snedeker	64-69	-133 -7	Ben Crenshaw	72-68	-140 -4
Kevin Streelman	65-68	-133 -7	Bruce Vaughan	71-70	-141 -3
Patrick Sheehan	67-67	-134 -6	Bernhard Langer	71-70	-141 -3
Lucas Glover	66-68	-134 -6	Gil Morgan	70-71	-141 -3
Fernando Mehereffe	69-65	-134 -6	Hale Irwin	68-73	-141 -3
Matt Weibring	68-66	-134 -6	Tom Watson	67-74	-141 -3
Rich Beem	67-67	-134 -6	Andy Bean	69-73	-142 -2
Rod Pampling	69-65	-134 -6	Bob Tway	72-70	-142 -2
Joe Ogilvie	67-67	-134 -6	Mike McCullough	69-73	-142 -2
Tim Petrovic	66-68	-134 -6	Larry Nelson	69-73	-142 -2
Aron Price	67-67	-134 -6	Allen Doyle	70-72	-142 -2
Robert Garrigus	68-67	-135 -5	Morris Hataalsky	71-71	-142 -2
Charles Howell III	68-67	-135 -5	Jeff Sluman	71-72	-143 -1
Bo Van Pelt	66-69	-135 -5	David Eger	71-72	-143 -1
Brian Davis	70-65	-135 -5	Don Pooley	69-73	-143 -1
Nick O'Hern	69-66	-135 -5	Mike Goodes	70-73	-143 -1
Matt Bettencourt	69-66	-135 -5	Tom Purtzer	72-72	-144 E
Steve Marino	67-68	-135 -5	Dan Forsman	73-71	-144 E
Tim Herron	68-67	-135 -5	Mark Wiebe	72-72	-144 E
Carl Pettersson	70-65	-135 -5	James Mason	73-71	-144 E
Mark Wilson	70-65	-135 -5	Tim Simpson	73-71	-144 E
Scott McCarron	66-69	-135 -5			
Marton Stiles	67-68	-135 -5			
Bryce Molden	68-68	-136 -4			
Matt Jones	67-69	-136 -4			
Kent Jones	68-68	-136 -4			
Kevin Sutherland	71-65	-136 -4			
Brad Faxon	68-68	-136 -4			
Rick Blanks	74-62	-136 -4			
Darron Stiles	70-66	-136 -4			
Rocco Mediate	67-69	-136 -4			
Fredrik Jacobsson	68-68	-136 -4			
Jonathan Byrd	66-70	-136 -4			
Daniel Chopra	67-69	-136 -4			
Tom Pernice, Jr.	68-68	-136 -4			
John Daly	66-70	-136 -4			
Jason Bohm	68-68	-136 -4			
Jeff Quinney	70-67	-137 -3			
Jeff Klauk	69-68	-137 -3			
Jimmy Walker	70-67	-137 -3			

Youth baseball

Little League World Series	
At South Williamsport, Pa.	
UNITED STATES	
POOL A — MID-ATLANTIC, Staten Island, N.Y.; NORTHWEST, Mercer Island, Wash.; SOUTHEAST, Warner Robins, Ga.; MIDWEST, Urbandale, Iowa.	
POOL B — NEW ENGLAND, Peabody, Mass.; WEST, Chula Vista, Calif.; SOUTHWEST, San Antonio; GREAT LAKES, Russellville, Ky.	
INTERNATIONAL	
POOL C — CARIBBEAN, Willemstad, Curacao; JAPAN, Chiba City, MEA, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia; LATIN AMERICA, Maracaibo, Venezuela.	
POOL D — EUROPE, Ramstein AFB, Germany; MEXICO, Reynosa; CANADA, Vancouver, British Columbia; ASIA-PACIFIC, Taoyuan, Taiwan.	
Friday, Aug. 21	
Staten Island, N.Y. 10, Mercer Island, Wash. 2	
Taoyuan, Taiwan 16, Ramstein AFB, Germany 0, 4 innings	
Warner Robins, Ga., 11, Urbandale, Iowa 3	
San Antonio 10, Peabody, Mass. 1	
Saturday, Aug. 22	
Reynosa, Mexico 2, Vancouver, British Columbia 1, 7 innings	
Willemstad, Curacao 2, Maracaibo, Venezuela 1	
Warner Robins, Ga., vs. Staten Island, N.Y.	
Dhahran, Saudi Arabia vs. Chiba City, Japan	
Russellville, Ky., vs. Chula Vista, Calif.	
Sunday, Aug. 23	
Urbandale, Iowa vs. Mercer Island, Wash.	
Russellville, Ky., vs. San Antonio	
Taoyuan, Taiwan vs. Vancouver, British Columbia	
Chula Vista, Calif., vs. Peabody, Mass.	
Willemstad, Curacao vs. Chiba City, Japan	
Monday, Aug. 24	
Ramstein AFB, Germany vs. Reynosa, Mexico	
Maracaibo, Venezuela vs. Chiba City, Japan	
Warner Robins, Ga., vs. Mercer Island, Wash.	
Willemstad, Curacao vs. Dhahran, Saudi Arabia	
Staten Island, N.Y. vs. Urbandale, Iowa	
Tuesday, Aug. 25	
Dhahran, Saudi Arabia vs. Maracaibo, Venezuela	
Ramstein AFB, Germany vs. Vancouver, British Columbia	
Russellville, Ky. vs. Peabody, Mass.	
Reynosa, Mexico vs. Taoyuan, Taiwan	
San Antonio vs. Chula Vista, Calif.	

Tennis

Rogers Cup	
Friday	
At Rexall Centre	
Toronto	
Purse: \$2 million (Premier)	
Surface: Hard-Outdoor	
Singles	
Quarterfinals	
Elena Dementieva (4), Russia, def. Samantha Stosur, Australia, 6-7 (3), 6-1, 6-3.	
Serena Williams (2), United States, def. Lucie Safarova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-2.	
Alisa Kleybanova, Russia, def. Jelena Jankovic (5), Serbia, 6-7 (8), 7-6 (7), 6-2.	
Maria Sharapova, Russia, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (14), Poland, 6-2, 7-6 (5).	
Doubles	
Quarterfinals	
Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Liezel Huber (1), United States, def. Vera Dushvina and Anastasia Rodionova, Russia, 6-4, 7-6 (2).	
Nuria Llagostera Vives and Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez (6), Spain, def. Iveta Benesova and Barbora Zachlavalova, Czech Republic, 4-6, 6-3, 10-4 tiebreak.	
Samantha Stosur and Rennae Stubbs (3), Australia, def. Algu Amannmuradova, Uzbekistan, and Alla Kudryavtseva, Russia, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 10-8 tiebreak.	
Cincinnati Masters	
Friday	
At The Lindner Family Tennis Center	
Mason, Ohio	
Purse: \$3 million (Masters 1000)	
Surface: Hard-Outdoor	
Singles	
Quarterfinals	
Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Julien Benneteau, France, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.	
Roger Federer (1), Switzerland, def. Lleyton Hewitt, Australia, 4-6, 6-3, 6-0.	
Novak Djokovic (4), Serbia, def. Gilles Simon (9), France, 6-4, 7-5.	
Rafael Nadal (2), Spain, def. Tomas Berdych, Czech Republic, 6-4, 7-5.	
Doubles	
Quarterfinals	
Mahesh Bhupathi, India, and Mark Knowles (4), Bahamas, def. Michael Llodra and Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, France, 7-6 (6), 6-3.	
Lukasz Kubot, Poland, and Oliver Marach (8), Austria, def. David Ferrer and Tommy Robredo, Spain, 7-6 (2), 6-1.	
Daniel Nestor, Canada, and Nenad Zimonjic (2), Serbia, def. Mariusz Fyrstenberg and Marcin Matkowski (6), Poland, 7-6 (8), 6-7 (8), 10-4 tiebreak.	
Bob and Mike Bryan (1), United States, def. Wesley Moodie, South Africa, and Dick Norman (7), Belgium, 6-4, 7-6 (11).	

Boxing

Fight schedule	
Aug. 28	
At Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Hollywood, Fla., Juan Urango, Cooper City, Fla., vs. Randall Bailey, Miami, 12, for Urango's IBF light welterweight title; Tavoris Cloud, Tallahassee, Fla., vs. Clinton Woods, Britain, 12, for the vacant IBF light heavyweight title.	
Aug. 29	
At Halle, Germany, Victor Emiliano Ramirez, Argentina, vs. Marco Huck, Germany, 12, for Ramirez's WBO cruiserweight title; Karo Murat, Armenia, vs. Lorenzo Di Giacomo, Italy, 12.	
At Quik Trip Park, Grande Prairie, Texas, Jesus Soto-Karass, Mexico, vs. Edvan Dos Barrios, Miami, 10, welterweights; Mikey Garcia, Oxnard, Calif., vs. Carlos Rivera, Oldsmar, Fla., 10, featherweights.	
At Blaisdell Center, Honolulu, Brian Vitoria, Waipahu, Hawaii, vs. Jesus Iribe, Mexico, 12, for Vitoria's IBF light flyweight title.	
Sept. 5	
At Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico, Julio Cesar Chavez Jr., Mexico, vs. Jason LeHouston, Portland, Maine, 10, super welterweights; Manuel Vargas, Mexico, vs. Donnie Nietes, Philippines, 12, for Vargas' WBO mini flyweight title.	
Sept. 12	
At Kempton Park, South Africa, Lovemore N'dou, Australia, vs. Matthew Hatton, Britain, 12, for N'dou's IBO welterweight title; Zolani Marali, South Africa, vs. Ji Hoon Kim, South Korea, 12, for Marali's IBO super featherweight title.	
At MCH Messecenter, Herning, Denmark, Mikkel Kessler, Denmark, vs. Gusn'ny Perdomo, Venezuela, 12, for Kessler's WBA super middleweight title.	
At San Juan, Puerto Rico, Ivan Calderon, Puerto Rico, vs. Rodol Mayan, Philippines, for Calderon's WBO and Ring Magazine titles; Roman Martinez, Puerto Rico, vs. Michael Lozada, Mexico, 12, for Martinez's WBO junior lightweight title.	
At Nueva Vallarta, Mexico, Fernando Montiel, Mexico, vs. Jerome Arnould, France, 12, for Montiel's WBO bantamweight title; Julio Cesar Chavez Jr., Mexico, vs. Jason LeHouston, Portland, Maine, 10, super welterweights.	
At Pecharanga Resort and Casino, Temecula, Calif., Andre Ward, Oakland, Calif., vs. Shelby Pudwill, Mandan, N.D., 10, super middleweights.	
Sept. 19	
At MGM Grand, Las Vegas, Floyd Mayweather, Las Vegas, vs. Juan Manuel Marquez, Anaheim, Calif., 12, welterweights; Chris John, Indonesia, vs. Rocky Juarez, Houston, 12, for John's WBO featherweight title; Victor Ortiz, Waco, Woodland, Calif., vs. Michael Katsidis, Thailand, 12, for vacant interim WBO lightweight title; Zab Judah, Las Vegas, vs. Antonio Diaz, Coachella, Calif., 10, welterweights.	

College football

Florida voted No. 1 in AP preseason poll

Gators, seeking third title in four years, get record percentage of first-place votes

By RALPH D. RUSSO
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — As Tim Tebow and the Florida Gators prepare to make a run at their third national title in four seasons, the defending champions have already made history.

Florida is No. 1 in The Associated Press' preseason Top 25 released Saturday, followed by Texas, Oklahoma, Southern California and Alabama. But the Gators are in a class by themselves, the most overwhelming preseason No. 1 in the history of the media poll.

Florida received 58 of the 60 first-place votes, or 96.7 percent. Texas got the other first-place votes.

The previous highest percentage of first-place votes for the AP preseason poll, which started in 1950, was 95.4 percent for USC in 2007. Those Trojans got 62 of 65 first-place votes — and didn't play for the national title.

Ten preseason No. 1s have won the national championship. If the Gators can become the 11th, they will have put together one of the great runs in college football history. Only one program since 1950 can claim three national championships in four years; Nebraska won it all it 1994 and 1995, then earned a split title in 1997.

With expectations soaring in Gainesville, Fla., coach Urban Meyer has been on a mission to keep his team's eyes on the small prizes — to heck with history.

"There's a lot of guys getting patted on the back and being told how good they are," Meyer said in a recent telephone interview.

AP Top 25

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press preseason college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, 2008 records, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and final ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Florida (58)	13-1	1,498	1
2. Texas (4)	12-1	1,424	4
3. Oklahoma	12-2	1,370	5
4. Southern Cal	12-1	1,313	3
5. Alabama	12-2	1,156	6
6. Ohio St.	10-3	1,113	9
7. Virginia Tech	10-4	1,054	15
8. Mississippi	9-4	1,047	14
9. Oklahoma St.	9-4	989	16
9. Penn St.	11-2	989	8
11. LSU	8-5	914	—
12. California	9-4	746	—
13. Georgia	10-3	714	13
14. Boise St.	12-1	659	11
15. Georgia Tech	9-4	593	22
16. Oregon	10-3	587	10
17. TCU	11-2	521	7
18. Florida St.	9-4	307	21
19. Utah	13-0	289	2
20. BYU	10-3	267	25
21. North Carolina	8-5	261	—
22. Iowa	9-4	229	20
23. Notre Dame	7-6	225	—
24. Nebraska	9-4	207	—
25. Kansas	8-5	134	—

Others receiving votes: Oregon St. 122, Illinois 105, Pittsburgh 103, Michigan St. 100, Rutgers 83, Texas Tech 76, West Virginia 57, Cincinnati 44, Clemson 42, Miami 40, East Carolina 30, Tennessee 15, Arizona 13, N.C. State 10, Boston College 9, Auburn 7, Cent. Michigan 7, UCLA 7, Northwestern 5, Missouri 3, South Florida 3, Southern Miss. 3, Vanderbilt 3, Southern Carolina 2, Arkansas 1, Houston 1, Nevada 1, Troy 1, Tulsa 1.

USA Today Top 25

The USA Today preseason Top 25 football coaches poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, team's 2008 records, total points based on 25 points for first place through one point for 25th and final ranking:

	Record	Pts	Rk
1. Florida (53)	13-1	1,466	1
2. Texas (4)	12-1	1,386	3
3. Oklahoma (1)	12-2	1,358	5
4. Southern Cal (1)	12-1	1,321	2
5. Alabama	12-2	1,134	6
6. Ohio State	10-3	1,126	11
7. Georgia Tech	10-4	1,020	14
8. Penn State	11-2	988	8
9. LSU	8-5	917	NR
10. Mississippi	9-4	889	15
11. Oklahoma State	9-4	861	18
12. California	9-4	711	25
13. Georgia	10-3	707	10
14. Oregon	10-3	694	9
15. Georgia Tech	9-4	559	22
16. Boise State	12-1	542	13
17. TCU	11-2	461	7
18. Utah	13-0	404	4
19. Florida State	9-4	371	23
20. North Carolina	8-5	293	NR
21. Iowa	9-4	257	20
22. Nebraska	9-4	236	NR
23. Notre Dame	7-6	194	NR
24. Brigham Young	10-3	178	19
25. Oregon State	9-4	165	19

Others receiving votes: Kansas 138; Michigan State 136; Texas Tech 114; Cincinnati 90; Pittsburgh 64; West Virginia 55; Rutgers 51; Miami (Fla.) 46; Missouri 44; Illinois 38; Clemson 30; South Carolina 18; UCLA 14; Auburn 12; Nevada 11; South Florida 11; Kentucky 9; North Carolina State 7; Arkansas 6; Wisconsin 6; Northwestern (9-4) 5; Southern Mississippi 4; Wake Forest 4; Arizona 3; Boston College 3; Central Michigan 3; East Carolina 3; Colorado 2; Maryland 2; Navy 2; Tennessee 2; Houston 1; Michigan 1; Minnesota 1; Troy 1.

Yankees rip Red Sox to lead by 7½

Matsui connects for two homers and seven RBIs

By HOWARD ULMAN
The Associated Press

BOSTON — The Yankees' best offensive game in more than two years began with another leadoff hit for Derek Jeter. It ended with four runs in the ninth inning.

Slugging from start to finish, New York beat the Boston Red Sox 20-11 on Friday night. But with the short Green Monster in left field and the Red Sox mounting comeback after comeback, the Yankees were relieved to take the opener of the three-game series.

"That was an uncomfortable 20 to whatever it was game," Jeter said, "because you get a couple of guys on base [and] you pepper that wall and it could be a whole new game."

Yankees manager Joe Girardi wasn't taking anything for granted, even after Hideki Matsui homered twice and drove in a career-high seven runs, Alex Rodriguez went 4-for-4 and Jeter went 3-for-6, lowering his batting average over an 11-game stretch to .543 (25-for-46). New York also led 12-1 after 4½ innings.

But Jason Varitek and Mike Lowell homered in Boston's fourth run ninth.

"When we ended the ninth," Girardi said, "I felt pretty good."

New York's 20 runs and 23 hits were its most since it had 21 runs and 25 hits against Tampa Bay on July 22, 2007. The 20 runs also were the most allowed by the Red Sox since the Yankees scored 22 on June 19, 2000, at Fenway Park.

This year, the Red Sox had won the first eight games between the rivals before the Yankees swept



CHARLES KRUPA/AP

Hideki Matsui hit two home runs and had a career-high seven RBIs as the New York Yankees beat the Boston Red Sox 20-11 Friday.

a four-game series at home from Aug. 6-9. None of that mattered Friday night.

"If you're carrying games that happen in April and May around and, what are we, in August right now, you're not going to be a very good team," Jeter said.

The Yankees' latest offensive outburst extended their winning streak to three and gave them a 7½-game lead over Boston in the AL East.

The 31 runs were the most scored in a game between the two franchises, surpassing the New York Highlanders' 15-14 victory over the Boston Americans on

July 29, 1903, in Boston.

"They've got a lot of really good hitters over there," Girardi said. "So you want to keep tacking on the runs."

It helped that the Yankees were facing Brad Penny (7-8), who allowed eight runs and 10 hits in four-plus innings and is 1-6 in his past 11 starts.

"They have a great team," Penny said. "One through nine, all can do damage. It's one of the better-hitting teams you'll face in the league."

New York has been rolling against all opponents with a 15-3 record in its past 18 games. Bos-

ton began a 10-game homestand after winning its previous three games in Toronto.

That momentum didn't last.

The Yankees scored two runs in the first inning, four in the second, six in the fifth, three in the sixth, one in the seventh and four in the ninth.

"It's plain and simple that we got our [butts] kicked pretty good," Lowell said.

Matsui hit three-run homers in the fifth and ninth, giving him 21 for the year, and drove in a run with a groundout in the seventh. He is batting .366 (15-for-41) with two homers and 10 RBIs against

the Red Sox this season.

"We lost three games in a row twice here this season," Matsui said through a translator. "In that sense, it was very important for us to set the tone."

Rodriguez emerged from a 5-for-25 slump. Mark Teixeira and Melky Cabrera had three hits apiece, and Teixeira drove in three runs.

Jeter had his fourth three-hit performance in the last five games.

"He's probably as hot right now as I've ever seen him," Andy Pettitte said.

The Yankees led 12-1 before the Red Sox scored three in the bottom of the fifth off Pettitte (10-6).

Jeter doubled in the first, the fourth time in five games he led off a game with a hit. Teixeira walked, Rodriguez singled and Jorge Posada hit a two-run single.

There was one downside to the inning when Johnny Damon fouled a ball off his right knee, then struck out and left the game in the bottom half with a bruised knee. Girardi said he's day to day.

Eric Hinske, Damon's replacement in left field, doubled in a run in the second before a two-run double by Teixeira and an RBI single by Rodriguez.

Michael Bowden relieved Penny with two on in the fifth and Matsui hit his second pitch for his first homer.

A run-scoring double by Robinson Cano and RBI singles by Cabrera and Teixeira made it 12-1.

The long inning might have affected Pettitte, who had allowed just one hit through four innings. In the fifth, Jacoby Ellsbury singled in two runs and Dustin Pedroia doubled in one. But the Yankees got those three runs back in the sixth on Cabrera's run-scoring double and Jeter's two-run single.

AL roundup

Homers help Angels' Santana win fourth start in a row

The Associated Press

TORONTO — Vladimir Guerrero and Juan Rivera homered, Ervin Santana won his fourth consecutive start and the Los Angeles Angels beat the Toronto Blue Jays 7-3 on Saturday.

Guerrero broke a 3-3 tie with a solo shot in the sixth inning, and Rivera added a two-run drive in the eighth.

The AL West leaders avoided their first three-game losing streak since June 20-22. Los Angeles is the only team in the majors that hasn't lost four in a row all season.

Toronto has dropped eight of 10 and is nine games below .500, matching a season low.

Santana (7-6) allowed three runs and seven hits in six innings, walked four and struck out three.

The right-hander has won six of his past seven decisions and is 5-0 in his past six road starts.

Darren Oliver pitched two innings and Kevin Jepsen finished for the Angels, who

have won 23 of their past 31 road games.

In Friday games:

Rays 5, Rangers 3: At St. Petersburg, Fla., Scott Kazmir took a shutout into the eighth inning, and Ben Zobrist and Carlos Pena homered on consecutive pitches for Tampa Bay.

Kazmir (8-7) didn't allow a run until Taylor Teagarden opened the eighth with a homer. The left-hander, who has won four straight starts at home, allowed three runs and five hits over 7½ innings.

Dustin Nippert (4-2) gave up five runs and seven hits in five innings for Texas. J.P. Howell pitched the ninth for his 15th save.

Blue Jays 5, Angels 4: Aaron Hill and Vernon Wells hit solo homers, and Marc Rzepczynski won for the first time in six starts as host Toronto ended a five-game skid.

Casey Janssen earned his first save despite giving up a three-run homer to Mike Napoli in the ninth.

Rzepczynski (2-3) allowed one run and three hits in a career-high 6½ innings.

Sean O'Sullivan (3-2), winless in four starts, allowed four runs and four hits in one-plus inning.

Mariners 9, Indians 4: Bill Hall drove in two runs in his first game for visiting Seattle, helping rookie starter Luke French to the victory. Hall, acquired from Milwaukee on Wednesday, had two hits. He put Seattle ahead 1-0 with an RBI single in the second off David Huff (7-7). His sacrifice fly in a two-run third made it 3-1.

Jose Lopez hit a two-run homer and Russell Branyan and Josh Wilson had solo shots for Seattle, which won for the third time in eight games.

French (3-3) allowed three runs and eight hits over six innings to improve to 2-1 in four starts since being acquired July 31.

Twins 5, Royals 4 (10): At Kansas City, Mo., Orlando Cabrera hit a run-scoring triple in the 10th inning after a rare blown save by Minnesota closer Joe Nathan (2-1)

in the ninth.

Billy Butler and David DeJesus homered for Kansas City, which has lost 22 of 28 at home. Kansas City brought in All-Star closer Joakim Soria (3-1) in the 10th, and he allowed a one-out single to Alexi Casilla and Cabrera's slicing triple down the line in right.

Orioles 5, White Sox 1: Brian Roberts hit a go-ahead, two-run homer in the eighth inning and had a solo shot in the third to lead visiting Baltimore. Chicago's Jim Thome hit his 564th career homer, moving past Reggie Jackson for sole possession of 12th on the career list.

Tigers 3, Athletics 2: At Oakland, Calif., Ryan Raburn homered in his first two at-bats, Edwin Jackson pitched six strong innings and Detroit won for the sixth time in eight games to take a 3½-game lead over Chicago in the AL Central. Jackson (10-5) allowed two runs and six hits. Fernando Rodney pitched the ninth for his 26th save in 27 chances.

NL roundup

Giants take opener of key series against Rockies

The Associated Press

DENVER — While the music blared in the San Francisco clubhouse, the Colorado Rockies' injured ace, Aaron Cook, found a sliver of hope in his inflamed pitching shoulder.

"I'm not too concerned. The last time I was on the DL, we went to the World Series," Cook cracked.

A sore right shoulder knocked Cook out of the Rockies' 6-3 loss to the Giants on Friday night. He was to be re-evaluated Saturday but will miss at least his next start, manager Jim Tracy said.

Aaron Rowand took advantage of Cook's departure with a three-run homer off reliever Josh Fogg in the fourth inning. Jonathan Sanchez tossed five solid innings and the Giants shaved Colorado's NL wild-card lead to one game.

"Trying to score as many runs against this team is key because they're not ever going to quit," Rowand said. "You saw it in the ninth inning. They can score runs with the best of them and we have to score as many as we can as early as we can to give our pitcher a chance to settle down a little bit."

Sanchez (6-10) allowed an unearned run and two hits to win for just the third time since his no-hitter against San Diego on July 10. He struck out eight and walked four in handing the Rockies a rare setback at Coors Field, where Colorado had won 25 of its first 35 games under Tracy, who took over from fired manager Clint Hurdle on May 29.

Cook (10-6) allowed four earned runs and three hits with four walks. He said the team doctor was cautiously optimistic he wasn't seriously injured but that



KEITH SRAKOCIC/AP

The Pittsburgh Pirates' Charlie Morton allowed two runs and six hits in 6 1/3 innings Friday night, earning his first victory since July 18 as the Pirates defeated the Cincinnati Reds 5-2.

he wouldn't know for sure until the swelling subsides.

"Hopefully it's just one of those things that came on real quick and we can get rid of it real quick," said Cook, who gave up three runs in the first.

The Giants avoided falling three games off the pace heading into a three-day stretch in which they'll face double-digit winners

Jorge de La Rosa, Ubaldo Jimenez and Jason Marquis.

Padres 4, Cardinals 0: Nick Hundley hit a three-run homer and Clayton Richard won his third straight decision for host San Diego.

St. Louis starter Kyle Lohse (5-8) left after straining his left groin running out a single in the fifth inning.

Richard (3-0) was pulled after a leadoff walk in the seventh. He held the Cardinals to five hits, striking out six and walking three.

Dodgers 2, Cubs 1: Randy Wolf combined with two relievers on a one-hitter and hit a two-run double to give host Los Angeles its second straight victory.

Chicago's only hit was Ryan Theriot's RBI single in the third.

Wolf (8-6) allowed one run, struck out five and walked two in seven innings.

Jonathan Broxton pitched a perfect ninth for his 27th save.

Rookie Randy Wells (9-6) gave up two runs and seven hits in 6 2/3 innings.

Mets 4, Phillies 2: At New York, Jeff Francoeur homered and had three hits and Mike Pelfrey outpitched the struggling Cole Hamels to lead the struggling Mets.

Francisco Rodriguez escaped a ninth-inning jam for his 27th save.

Pelfrey (9-8) tossed six solid innings, improving to 3-0 in four starts against Philadelphia this season.

Hamels (7-8) allowed 10 hits in five innings before he was lifted for a pinch-hitter. The World Series MVP is 0-3 in four August outings.

Pirates 5, Reds 2: Charlie Morton pitched into the seventh inning after a disastrous start in his previous outing and host Pittsburgh won its fourth straight.

Garrett Jones and Lastings Milledge homered for Pittsburgh, which dropped 11 of 12 before the streak.

Morton (3-6) allowed two runs and six hits in 6 1/3 innings to earn

his first triumph since July 18. He left his previous start last Friday against the Chicago Cubs in the second inning and was charged with 10 runs and seven hits in a 17-2 loss.

Marlins 5, Braves 3: At Atlanta, Hanley Ramirez extended his career-high hitting streak to 16 games with three hits, including a two-run homer, to lead Florida in a rain-delayed victory.

Anibal Sanchez (2-4), who came off the 60-day disabled list before the game, pitched six-plus innings for the Marlins.

He allowed one run and two hits, walked two and struck out seven.

Leo Nunez picked up his 13th save with a scoreless ninth.

Javier Vazquez (10-9) went 6 2/3 innings and allowed 10 hits and five runs with one walk and eight strikeouts for Atlanta.

Brewers 7, Nationals 3: At Washington, Prince Fielder and Casey McGehee homered, and Milwaukee stopped a four-game losing streak.

Braden Looper (11-6) allowed two runs over six innings for the Brewers.

Rookie J.D. Martin (2-3) allowed a two-run home run to Fielder in the first and a solo shot by McGehee in the fourth.

Astros 1, Diamondbacks 0: Roy Oswalt allowed three hits in seven innings and host Houston handed Arizona its sixth straight loss.

Oswalt (7-4) improved to 9-1 in 11 career starts against the Diamondbacks, including 7-0 in seven starts at Minute Maid Park.

Yusmeiro Petit (2-8) lost for the fifth time in seven starts.

'New' Broncos secondary features 4 30-somethings

By ARNIE STAPLETON

The Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — The Denver Broncos' new secondary is rather old.

Joining Champ Bailey, 31, in the team's retooled defensive backfield are free agents Brian Dawkins, 35, Andre' Goodman, 31, and Renaldo Hill, 30.

The four thirtysomethings are being counted upon to lead the revival of a Denver defense that was nothing short of dismal last year, managing but a smidgen of big plays and takeaways and helping cost coach Mike Shanahan his job after 14 seasons.

While some observers across the league see four graybeards who have undoubtedly lost a step, the Broncos behold a foursome with 42 years' worth of collective NFL experience, 15 Pro Bowl selections and 104 interceptions.

"On paper we look pretty good," Goodman said. "We also look old, I've heard that. At the end of the day, this is a production business and I think with the veterans you have back there and Champ being the great player he is and Brian being the great player he is, me and Renaldo are going to come in and try to match that."

"And if we can match that, I think as a unit we're going to be OK."

Defensive backs coach Ed Donatell loves having four guys with this kind of back-

ground in his backfield.

"It's pretty neat, especially when you've coached a long time and then you get a group of guys like that," Donatell said. "They have a lot of good ideas that you want to use and they're really easy to work with. These guys, their personalities are so great to put them together. They're all so cooperative and they're coming together. I think we're going to have some pretty nice chemistry."

The young backups that fill out the upgraded secondary appreciate the starters' experience, pedigree and willingness to share their experiences.

"It's a big help, being able to see how these guys not only perform on the field but how they carry themselves off the field and handle themselves outside of football," said second-year nickel back Jack Williams. "I'm still young. I've got a lot to learn. Every day, I try to take something from them."

Dawkins, who joined the Broncos after 13 seasons in Philadelphia, missed a week and a half of training camp with a broken right hand that required surgery. He returned to the field this week and picked off a pass despite the cumbersome club.

That didn't surprise Donatell in the least.

"No, because of who he is," Donatell said. "He could have two clubs or three clubs and he'll find a way."



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Brian Dawkins picked off a pass this week in practice with a cast on his hand.

New Broncos coach Josh McDaniels lured Dawkins to Denver as much for his leadership as his ability and he tapped Hill

and Goodman in part because they know a thing or two about turnarounds after helping Miami's resurgence in 2008.

Bailey is showing no lingering effects of the torn groin that sidelined him last year for seven games — and ended his streak of eight straight trips to the Pro Bowl — or the broken elbow that required offseason surgery.

Bailey appreciated the offseason influx of experience that balanced out the additions of several young, promising players, and he sees no problem with a backfield full of grizzled veterans.

"No, that means we're really smart and really experienced," he said.

The Broncos aren't just relying on wisdom in the secondary, though. They also sport some speed.

They traded their No. 1 pick in next year's draft to move up and select Wake Forest ball hawk Alphonso Smith in the second round, and he had a solid camp, as did rookie safeties David Bruton and Darcel McBath.

"I believe it's very advantageous for us young players to have guys who have excelled for numerous years in this league such as Renaldo, Champ, Goodman and B-Daw," Bruton said. "They can provide a whole lot of information and give a lot of tidbits about how to play the game and how to read routes and what to expect from the quarterback."



PAUL BATTAGLIA/AP

Minnesota Vikings quarterback Brett Favre, who was retired on Monday, went 1-for-4 for 4 yards in his Vikings debut Friday.

NFL exhibition roundup

Favre shaky; crowd stirred

Vikes fans give enthusiastic welcome to ex-Packer

The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS—Brett Favre jogged onto the turf to a chorus of cheers and a hero's welcome — the kind of reception he's grown used to over 18 brilliant seasons in his Hall of Fame career.

There was one major difference this time around.

Those cheers were coming at the Metrodome.

Favre made his debut for the Minnesota Vikings in an exhibition game against the Kansas City Chiefs, going 1-for-4 for 4 yards in a 17-13 victory on Friday night.

The game capped a whirlwind week for the quarterback. On Monday he was throwing to kids at a high school in Mississippi, in retirement and starting to be called "Coach" by the teenagers who were catching his passes.

On Tuesday, he flew to Minnesota to sign with the Vikings, his mortal enemies during 16 record-setting seasons with the Green Bay Packers.

By Friday, Favre was playing in a game, starting for the Vikings and looking every bit as rusty as one would expect a soon-to-be 40-year-old who was sitting on a tractor last weekend.

Vikings fans might not have

forgotten about the beatings Favre handed their favorite team over the years. But it was clear on Friday night that all is forgiven.

Purple Favre jerseys were all over the Metrodome, and flashbulbs accompanied a roar when he joined the huddle for the first time as a Viking in the first quarter.

"With all the attention, it's hard not to feel like you don't have to live up to this hype. Not that I don't want to do that, but the most important thing is to lead this team to victory somehow, somehow," Favre said.

"I definitely didn't want to get off on the wrong foot by fumbling snaps. I wanted to call the plays right, get in and out of the huddle, be as smooth as possible."

He didn't manage a first down in two series of work, completing only one pass to rookie Percy Harvin before giving way to Tarvaris Jackson. But he made no major mistakes and absorbed a couple of big hits as he looked to start getting back in the groove of being an NFL quarterback.

Still, Favre's presence in a Vikings jersey and getting cheered in the Metrodome gave the exhibition game some interesting twists.

"For us, it's still a little sur-

real," receiver Bobby Wade said. "We're still trying to process it."

Jackson has probably had to make the biggest adjustment. Five days ago, he was competing with Sage Rosenfels for the starting job. Now he's trying to earn a spot as Favre's backup.

He responded in impressive fashion, completing 12 of 15 passes for 205 yards and two touchdowns, including a 64-yarder to Darius Reynaud.

Cowboys 30, Titans 10: At Arlington, Texas, Tony Romo looked at home in the first game at the nearly \$1.2 billion Cowboys Stadium, going 18-for-24 for 192 yards.

Dallas gained 249 yards and 17 first downs in the first half. Marion Barber capped a 15-play, 90-yard drive with a 1-yard touchdown and Felix Jones had the go-ahead score on another 1-yard run with 1 second left in the first half.

Falcons 20, Rams 13: At St. Louis, Atlanta's starters were flawless and the Rams starters had no answer, not even against the second-stringers.

Michael Turner accounted for all but 12 yards on the opening 77-yard drive and Matt Ryan was 7-for-8 for 81 yards with a touchdown pass in two series.

Mora: Seattle, coming off 4-12 season, needs coach's drive

MORA, FROM BACK PAGE

He has a four-year contract that pays him nearly \$5 million a season, in the upper echelon of league coaches. He also has the unwavering support of team president Tim Ruskell. Ruskell was Atlanta's assistant general manager in 2004 when the Falcons surprised many by choosing Mora, then the defensive coordinator in San Francisco, as their head coach over Chicago assistant Lovie Smith and others.

"I just noticed how the players gravitated to him," Ruskell said. "He's an energy guy, right? Teams take on the personality of their coach, and it became that. And that year, we didn't really know what we were going to be. We were coming off a poor season. That's exactly what the team needed."

Seattle has the same need now. The Seahawks finished 4-12 last

season, their worst record since 1992.

Mora brought along his former Falcons offensive coordinator, Greg Knapp, to replace Holmgren's more finesse, pass-first system with a grinding run game. The defense is attacking more now under first-time coordinator Gus Bradley.

Mora has even practiced flea-flickers and double-reverse passes, tricks Holmgren despised.

Mora's level of detail is seemingly as boundless as his energy. Quarterback Matt Hasselbeck said the Seahawks are practicing situations he hasn't seen in his 12 years in the league.

One morning this month, the offense worked a late-game, third-down situation in which the play's result was near a first down with no timeouts remaining. While team attendants brought out chains to measure, Mora had the field-goal unit run — of course

— onto the field. He kept Hasselbeck in to be the holder.

Mora had the team practice it both ways: If it was short of the line to gain, the field goal was tried. If the offense got the first down, Hasselbeck ran the field-goal team to the line then spiked the ball to kill the fictitious clock.

Although it's a situation all teams likely discuss in meetings, Seattle hadn't practiced it in anyone's memory.

As Mora's first training camp of his second NFL chance ended Thursday, gasping players marveled at the unrelenting pace of two-a-days and meetings — and at having had one day off from July 31 through this weekend.

"It's like Camp Grind 'Em Out here, you know," former Bengals wide receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh said, laughing.

Cornerback Ken Lucas just finished his ninth NFL camp. He said this was the fastest-paced

and most mentally taxing one yet.

"We've been practicing so fast, the game seemed easy," he said of last weekend's exhibition victory at San Diego. "We're pushing it so hard. I really appreciate Coach Mora picking up the tempo."

"It's kind of hard to say you can't do something when he's running up mountains on weekends. If he can do that, we can do this. It's going to pay off."

Mora's Falcons led the NFL in rushing every year, but the Falcons struggled badly once the opponent took the lead. Under Mora, Atlanta was 0-17 when entering the fourth quarter with a deficit.

His tenure there also included an odd series of off-field distractions, including the embarrassment he caused himself during a Seattle radio station interview before a key game against Dallas in December 2006.

Mora said his "dream job" was

to return to coach at Washington and that he'd jump at a chance to take it — even if the Falcons were in the middle of the playoffs. Mora later said he was only kidding with the radio host, former Huskies teammate Hugh Millen.

The comments upset Falcons fans and angered team owner Arthur Blank.

So how has Mora changed from his Atlanta tenure?

"There's been a definite distinction in the way he's approached it with the players," Knapp said. "He's probably not quite as close with the players. That's not to say he's distancing himself from them — he's still got a select veteran group he listens to, because he still wants their input."

"But there is more urgency now, and he keeps more of a distance."

Yet another reason why Mora is always running.

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NFL briefs

Probe of attack on Raiders coach reopened by cops

The Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — The Napa police department reopened its investigation Friday into an attack that left Oakland Raiders assistant coach Randy Hanson with a broken bone in his face.

Hanson was hospitalized following the Aug. 5 attack that he told police was initiated by a member of the Raiders coaching staff at the team's training-camp hotel in Napa.

Internet reports said head coach Tom Cable attacked Hanson during a meeting with some of the team's defensive coaches.

Cable would not comment when asked Friday about the news that the police had reopened the investigation. Earlier in the week, he said "nothing happened."

"When all the facts come out, everything will be fine," Cable said Thursday.

The police said earlier this week that the case was closed because the victim was unwilling to cooperate. On Friday, the department announced that it had been reopened, apparently after Hanson agreed to cooperate with authorities.

The NFL is looking into the case to determine if Cable violated the league's personal-conduct policy. According to the policy, a coach or player can be disciplined for "violent or threatening behavior among employees, whether in or outside the workplace."

According to the Internet site the National Football Post, the attack happened after Cable told Hanson he was being relegated from an on-field coach with defensive backs to breaking down film. The report said Cable attacked Hanson after the assistant contested something defensive coordinator John Marshall had said. After being told by owner Al Davis that he could not get his job back, Hanson reportedly decided to cooperate with police.

Hanson was also a key player in the dispute that helped lead to coach Lane Kiffin's firing last season. Kiffin suspended Hanson after the assistant criticized the coaching staff in a meeting following a 41-14 season-opening loss to Denver. Davis later reinstated Hanson and Kiffin was fired a few weeks later.

Vick to make debut for Eagles against Jags

PHILADELPHIA — Michael Vick will make his Eagles debut Thursday night against the Jacksonville Jaguars if all goes well over the next three days of practice, coach Andy Reid said Saturday. "I think there is a chance of that," Reid said. "Right now that's the plan. But we'll see how it goes."

Vick signed with Philadelphia on Aug. 13 but was not allowed to play in the team's first two exhibition games under the provisions



Cable

Hanson

of his suspension from the league. Vick has worked the majority of his time at quarterback. If he does play Thursday, he would share time with starter Donovan McNabb and Kevin Kolb, who is coming back from a knee injury.

"I want to see how he does this week," Reid said. "He worked throughout the week here as we went to the game [in Indianapolis]. He did a couple of workouts here and was here yesterday on the players' day off and worked hard. He's getting through that soreness and we'll just see how it goes for this week as he goes through practice."

Vick has spent extra time on his own working with offensive coordinator Marty Mornhinweg and quarterbacks coach James Urban. Reid said Vick was using only his arm to throw initially but started to use his legs more as the week went on. "I think he's made good strides," Reid said, "but again I have to see this week here and what he does."

Burress hires consultant to get ready for prison

NEW YORK — Plaxico Burress' lawyer said a prison consultant is preparing the former New York Giants star for life behind bars.

Benjamin Braffman told the New York Post in a story published Saturday that the wide receiver is getting advice on "how to use his period of confinement as productively as possible."

Burress, 32, pleaded guilty Thursday to one count of attempted criminal possession of a weapon. He accidentally shot himself in the thigh at a Manhattan nightclub in November.

His plea deal calls for a two-year prison term. Burress is to be sentenced Sept. 22.

Panthers' Goodson fined \$7,500 for gesture

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The NFL fined Carolina Panthers running back Mike Goodson \$7,500 for making a throat-slash gesture after scoring a touchdown in Monday's exhibition game against the New York Giants.

Goodson, a fourth-round pick from Texas A&M, turned to the crowd following his 14-yard scoring run in the second half and put his hand to his throat. He was called for a 15-yard taunting penalty. The NFL fined him Friday for unsportsmanlike conduct.



MATT ROURKE/AP

Tony Dungy, right, took on the role of Michael Vick's life coach after retiring as coach of the Indianapolis Colts. Dungy's mission includes advising high school athletes and prison ministry.

Dungy: Man on a mission

Retirement gives former coach more time to help make a difference in others' lives

By MICHAEL MAROT
The Associated Press

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. — Tony Dungy never lost his passion for football. He just wanted to do more than win games and rings.

Six months after leaving the NFL, Dungy has accepted a bigger challenge — helping others — with the same vigor he brought to the field for more than three decades. Whether it's the high-profile case of Michael Vick or the lower-profile project of advising high school athletes through an instructional movie, retirement hasn't changed Dungy's mission.

"It's a chance for me to not necessarily just speak to 23- to 35-year-old football players," Dungy said from his Florida home. "I talked at the Northwestern Mutual annual meeting and have spoken to junior high kids. It's been exciting, and the Vick thing has taken on a life of its own."

Indeed, the Vick matter has overshadowed Dungy's other work. But things have not slowed since he left the fast-paced world of football in January. Instead, Dungy's schedule is so full he turned down an appointment to President Barack Obama's faith-based advisory council.

What's on Dungy's docket?

Well, there is that weekly gig he landed at NBC. He's also been criss-crossing the country for book signings and speeches, is still involved with the prison ministry and working with Vick at the urging of NFL commissioner Roger Goodell.

"What people don't understand is that maybe you've done this 50 times before with someone, but it's not with someone with as high a profile as Mike," Dungy said. "I've done it with young guys who are just getting out of jail and you feel good when they come back and say, 'You helped me a little bit.'"

Dungy fits the profile of role model perfectly.

He earned the respect of players and the reverence of fans with his stoic presence and genteel nature with the Indianapolis Colts and Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Yet he never wanted to be in the spotlight unless he could do something meaningful. That's what his retirement is all about.

His newest project debuts Tuesday when about 500 movie theaters show the premiere of "Tony Dungy's Red Zone '09." The presentation is geared toward high school coaches, players and players' families, and includes a star-studded cast. Three-time league MVP Peyton Manning, 2007 NFL Defensive Player of the Year Bob Sanders and other Colts are prominently featured. Hall of Fame receiver Michael Irvin talks about making right and wrong decisions. Southern California coach Pete Carroll talks about recruiting. Colts strength coach Jon Torine discusses weightlifting, supplements and steroids.

The overall message is something Dungy's players heard repeatedly. "You want to talk about drills and things that players can do to make themselves better on the field," Dungy said. "But if you only do that, it's not going to help them in the long run. What makes great people and players is what you do with your life. Don't fall into the trap of abuse of drugs or alcohol or freedom."

What has changed is how Dungy can express those views. Without the constraints of being a coach, Dungy has taken his campaign on the road. He can fly in and out of cities whenever he wants, speak in classrooms and attend book signings. He can spend more time with his family, too.

Had he not been in the NFL, Dungy might not have gotten these opportunities. Now that he's retired, he has a chance to fulfill what he believes is his calling.

"It's fun and it's exciting," he said, "and it's rewarding."

Racing roundup

Ragan holds off Edwards at Bristol

By JENNA FRYER
The Associated Press

BRISTOL, Tenn. — David Ragan held off teammate Carl Edwards on a two-lap sprint to the finish Friday night to win the Nationwide Series race at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Edwards had to settle for second, but shaved 91 points off the commanding lead Kyle Busch brought into the race. Busch, who started the night with a 339-point lead over Edwards, was wrecked by Chase Austin while leading early in the race and finished 28th.

Edwards, who trails Busch by 248 points, wasn't disappointed to lose to his Roush Fenway Racing teammate.

"We didn't come here to finish second, but he's a great guy, a great teammate," Edwards said. "If you guys don't have a David Ragan hat or T-shirt, you need to go get one. There's no better guy out there."

Brad Keselowski finished third by overcoming his own early accident. Amid mounting speculation he'll leave Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s Nationwide team next season to drive in the Sprint Cup Series for Roger Penske, Keselowski coincidentally ran into Penske driver Justin Allgaier.

"Just 100 percent my fault," said Keselowski, who declined to comment on his plans for 2010. "I was racing hard. I guess I was racing a little bit too hard."

Austin, in just the fourth Nationwide race of his career, could relate. The 19-year-old was a lap down when Busch passed Kevin Harvick for the lead.

As Busch and Harvick rounded Turn 4, Austin inexplicably cut down the track and into Busch.

Replays showed his hand was out the window motioning his intent to move down the track, but he never knew the traffic was on his inside.

He was radioing his team to inform it of a tire problem at the time his spotter tried to tell him about Busch and Harvick.

Sprint Cup: At Bristol, Tenn., Mark Martin won the pole for the Sharpie 500 at Bristol Motor Speedway on Friday in a race that will be critical to his NASCAR Chase for the championship chances.

Martin turned a lap at 124.484 mph to win his fifth pole of the season and sweep the top starting spot at Bristol this season. He beat Greg Biffle, who ran a lap at 124.307 mph, and rookie Scott Speed, who qualified third at 124.146 mph.

Martin's effort is a huge boost for the No. 5 team, which was reeling after running out of fuel last week at Michigan. It cost Martin a top-10 finish and he's clinging to the 12th and final Chase berth with three races to go.

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Not so fast: Europe battles back in Solheim Cup

The Associated Press

SUGAR GROVE, Ill. — Not so fast.

With Michelle Wie and Christina Kim partying on the green and their teammates leading or squared in another two matches, the United States looked as if it was in for a big day in the Solheim Cup. Europe had other ideas, though, making an impressive rally to win the fourballs 2½-1½ and even the Solheim Cup at six points apiece ahead of Saturday afternoon's foursomes.

The United States needs 14 points to win its third straight Solheim Cup. Europe needs 14½ to win its first on U.S. soil.

Wie and Kim had the festive crowd in a frenzy with an easy 5-and-4 victory over Helen Alfredsson and Tania Elosegui that showcased Wie's considerable talents. They were exchanging hugs and high-fives on the 14th green when Cristie Kerr holed in from the fairway on 12 to even her and Nicole Castrale's match with Anna Nordqvist and Suzann Pettersen, and chants of "The Cup stays here!" began to ring out across Rich Harvest Farms.

"All you need is a little momentum," Kim said.

And Europe has it now.

Women's British Open champion Catriona Matthew and Diana Luna were down two through 16 holes and hadn't made a birdie since the turn. But Brittany Lang and Angela Stanford gave them an opportunity on 17th. Lang's tee shot went into a bunker on 17 and she dug out for all of about 70 feet, and Stanford overshot the green.

Matthew then buried a 30-footer from the left edge of the green for a birdie.

Lang had a chance to win the match, but her 30-foot birdie putt from the bottom of the green stopped 5 feet short. Luna then buried a 12-footer to halve the match, pumping her right fist and leaping as the ball went in the cup.

In other golf news:

■ Jeff Maggert birdied his final hole Saturday morning to join Ryan Moore and Chris Riley atop the leaderboard through two rounds of the weather-delayed Wyndham Championship in Greensboro, N.C.

They are at 11-under 129 in the PGA Tour's last event before the playoffs.

The third round was scheduled to begin later Saturday. Round 2 was halted Friday night due to darkness with 28 players left on the course as tour officials play catch-up after a four-hour weather delay Thursday.

A total of 87 players made the cut of 2-under.

■ Brad Bryant followed his first-round 10-under 62 with an even-par 72 on Friday, but still had a one-shot lead heading into the third round of the Jeld-Wen Tradition at Crosswater Golf Club in Sunriver, Ore.

Bryant was at 10-under 134, a stroke better than defending champion Fred Funk, who had a 67 Friday in the Champion Tour's fourth major of the year. Loren Roberts, John Cook and Larry Mize were in a group another stroke back at 8 under.

Judge says NCAA must release documents in FSU cheating case

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A judge ruled Friday the NCAA must publicly release documents on Florida State's appeal of an academic cheating penalty, and criticized the athletic organization for making underlying threats against the university.

Circuit Judge John C. Cooper said he'd give the NCAA two days from when he signs a written order next week to turn the documents over to The Associated Press and other media, which filed a public records lawsuit.

NCAA lawyers said they will appeal to block the release.

The documents focus on Florida State's



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Italy's Diana Luna, left, is hugged by European partner Catriona Matthew of Scotland after making her putt on the 18th hole Saturday during a four-ball match in the Solheim Cup.

appeal of an NCAA plan to strip coaches and athletes of victories in 10 sports.

In other college football news:

■ Florida State officials say they have no issues with Oklahoma.

The school said Friday it contacted Oklahoma's compliance office earlier this year about the eligibility of a former semipro player, Mike Balogun, who was playing linebacker for the Sooners.

Florida State compliance director Brian Battle said the inquiry was a fact-finding call related to a similar eligibility case involving former Seminoles receiver Corey Surrency.

Surrency, who also played in a semipro football league beyond his 21st birthday, was denied a second year of eligibility by the NCAA following Florida State's appeal in April.

■ BYU offensive lineman Houston Reynolds tore the ACL in his right knee.

Reynolds injured his knee during practice Friday and an MRI showed the tear. BYU was still evaluating the injury and wasn't sure whether Reynolds will need surgery or could return this season.

■ Kentucky freshman linebacker Qua Huzzie will miss the entire season with a shoulder injury.

Coach Rich Brooks says Huzzie, who will have surgery on the shoulder, will be redshirted. Brooks had expected him to play this year.

■ About a dozen Tulane football players have come down with what the school describes as flu-like symptoms. An athletic spokesman said two have tested positive for the variety that includes swine flu.

Roger Dunaway said Friday that all the sick players have been told to stay home or in their dorm rooms or apartments, and are being treated there. He says all the symptoms are mild and the players are recovering quickly.

Blazers sign draft pick Cunningham

PORTLAND, Ore. — The Portland Trail Blazers signed draft pick Dante Cunningham to a multiyear contract on Friday.

The 6-foot-8 power forward was the 33rd overall pick in the June draft out of Villanova. He averaged 16.1 points and 7.5 rebounds last season as a senior and was named the Big East's most improved player.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

In other NBA news:

■ The Los Angeles Clippers waived for-

ward Mark Madsen.

Madsen was acquired from the Minnesota Timberwolves on July 22 along with Sebastian Telfair and Craig Smith in exchange for Quentin Richardson.

Red Bulls coach Osorio resigns

SECAUCUS, N.J. — New York Red Bulls coach Juan Carlos Osorio resigned Friday and was replaced for the rest of the season by assistant coach Richie Williams.

Less than a year after playing for the Major League Soccer championship, the Red Bulls have the worst record in the league at 2-16-4.

Veteran Indy 500 car owner Byrd dies

INDIANAPOLIS — Longtime Indianapolis 500 car owner Jonathan Byrd died Thursday. He was 57.

Paul Kelly, a spokesman for the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, said Byrd died in Greenwood. Byrd had been disabled by a stroke since 2004.

Although none of Byrd's drivers won the race, several posted top-10 finishes, including Gordon Johncock (sixth in 1991) and Scott Brayton (sixth in 1993).

In other racing news:

■ Toyota appears set to part ways with driver Jarno Trulli at the end of the Formula One season.

The 35-year-old Italian says he is in talks with other teams, and Toyota team president John Howett has suggested that only Timo Glock will be retained next season.

Phelps wearing walking boot on ankle

BALTIMORE — Olympic swimming star Michael Phelps is wearing a walking boot on the right ankle he injured in a car accident a little more than a week ago.

The black boot covers the 14-time gold medalist's right foot entirely and goes almost all the way up to his knee.

Phelps was driving with an invalid, out-of-state license Aug. 13 when another driver ran a red light, causing the accident, according to Baltimore police.

Speaking at an event Saturday to promote his appearance on Shaquille O'Neal's reality TV show, "Shaq VS," Phelps said he has been training in the pool despite the hurt ankle.

"I've been in the water this week," he said. "Everything is precautionary. Nothing major. I can still train and everything."

Ricketts family to buy Cubs

CHICAGO — A billionaire brokerage family will attempt what a newspaper publisher and a chewing-gum dynasty failed to do: Break baseball's longest World Series drought.

The Rickettses, longtime Cubs fans whose wealth comes from family owned Ameritrade, signed an agreement Friday to buy a 95 percent stake of the team and its Wrigley Field home from Tribune Co.

The \$845 million deal also includes Tribune's approximately 25 percent share of regional cable TV network Comcast SportsNet Chicago.

The deal, which requires approval by a bankruptcy court judge and Major League Baseball, may not help deliver a title to a profitable but hapless franchise that last won the big one in 1908.

But the new owners can't do any worse, championship-wise, than Tribune has during a 28-year stewardship or the Wrigley family during its 60 years at the helm.

In other baseball news:

■ The Pittsburgh Pirates activated left-handed pitcher Phil Dumatrait from the 60-day disabled list Friday and placed right-handed reliever Jeff Karstens on the bereavement list because of his grandmother's illness.

Dumatrait, 28, had reconstructive shoul-

der surgery more than a year ago and has been pitching over the past month on a rehabilitation assignment for four minor league teams in the Pittsburgh system.

■ Minnesota Twins first baseman Justin Morneau won't play this weekend against the Kansas City Royals because of the lingering effects from a right inner ear infection.

■ The Oakland Athletics have placed infielder Bobby Crosby on the 15-day disabled list with a strained left calf.

■ Tim Wakefield will replace struggling Brad Penny in the Boston Red Sox rotation.

Manager Terry Francona said Saturday the 43-year-old Wakefield, who made his first All-Star team this season, will start Wednesday night against the Chicago White Sox. He didn't say when Penny would pitch again.

Wakefield (11-3) last pitched for Boston on July 8, going on the disabled list July 21 with a strained lower back, left hamstring and left calf.

Phillips wins long jump in worlds

BERLIN — Dwight Phillips won the long jump in the world championships Saturday, 73 years after Jesse Owens did the same in the Berlin Games in the Olympic Stadium.

During a final laden with symbolism, Phillips jumped 28 feet, ¼ inch on his second attempt to win. His main rival, Olympic champion Irving Saladino of Panama, was eliminated after scratching on his first three tries.

The American beat Godfrey Khotso Moekoa of South Africa, who jumped 27-9½ for silver.

The United States failed to make the women's 4x100 relay final, with Muna Lee falling to the ground injured after a handover in the heats.

In the women's hammer throw, Anita Włodarczyk of Poland set a world record of 255 feet, 9 inches on her second attempt and ended up with the gold medal.

Nebraska's Peline dismisses Castille

OMAHA, Neb. — Running back Quentin Castille was dismissed from the Nebraska football program for violating unspecified team rules.

Coach Bo Peline did not elaborate on the violations committed by the junior from La Porte, Texas. Peline announced the dismissal following the No. 24 Cornhuskers' practice on Saturday, even though Castille has not practiced with the team for several days.

"It's pretty black and white my expectations and what we lay out as a staff, and if someone doesn't follow those policies and guidelines, they're no longer going to be with the program, and that's the case with Quentin," Peline said in a statement.

The 6-1, 235-pound Castille was expected to be a key contributor for Nebraska this season, after rushing for 467 yards and six touchdowns last season.

He'd been battling Roy Helu Jr. for the starting job at running back.

Williams gets transfer waiver

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Guard Elliot Williams has been granted a transfer waiver by the NCAA and is eligible to play for Memphis this coming season.

The school announced the approval in a news release Friday. Williams played his freshman season at Duke, where he started 12 games and averaged 4.2 points a game.

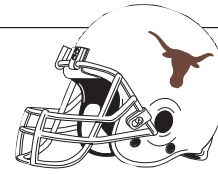
He is a Memphis native who has already enrolled in classes at Memphis.

Williams has said he transferred to be closer to his sick mother.

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Restless & relentless

Mora runs headfirst into second life as head coach

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RENTON, Wash.

It's one thing that Jim Mora's incomparable drive and boundless energy impress the Seahawks he coaches. After all, he controls their livelihood, so bowing to the boss isn't a bad idea.

It's much more impressive that one of the world's premier mountaineers, a man who knows no limits, is blown away by this 47-year-old, this dynamic force hoping to transform Seattle in his second go around as an NFL head coach.

"Coach Mora, he's so DRIVEN! It's phenomenal watching him," said Ed Viesturs, who recently climbed Mount Everest for the seventh time and is the first American to summit the world's 14 tallest peaks without supplemental oxygen.

Last month, Viesturs successfully led Mora, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, Seahawks CEO Tod Leiweke and others to the top of Washington's 14,411-foot Mount Rainier.

Viesturs has reached the summit of Rainier countless times. Yet he notes how difficult the two-day, 12-plus-hour slog in crampons over crevasses and up rope lines is, especially for first-timers such as Mora.

"When we got to the top, we're all tired and guys are excited to have made it," Viesturs said. "And Jim was looking for more mountain."

"He wanted to do more!"

He always wants to do more.

This husband and father of four runs before dawn up rugged Tiger Mountain near his suburban home on Seattle's east side, where he went to high school. Players who have taken him up on invites to join him have vomited during the workout.

Because Mora's always run-



ELAINE THOMPSON/AP

Seattle Seahawks coach Jim Mora lives at full speed, and that drive carried him not only to the summit of Mount Rainier but also back to the NFL head-coaching ranks three seasons after being fired by the Atlanta Falcons. Mora vowed to become a head coach again — and remain one for 20 more years.

ning, so are his Seahawks. Between plays, drills — heck, even meetings, if the hallway's wide enough.

When asked at the end of last season what these Seahawks could expect from Mora after 10 years under Mike Holmgren, Patrick Kerney thought back to when Mora coached him with the Falcons. Then he smiled.

"Running," Kerney said.

"I'll never forget the first time I met him in Atlanta," the two-time Pro Bowl defensive end said. "He comes in, new coach, all this energy. I was like, OK, he's new. He's excited. I expected it to wane a little over time."

"It hasn't."

Mora left Atlanta on New Year's Day 2007, fired but proud. He led the Falcons to the NFC championship game in his first season as a head coach. He was 26-22 in three tumultuous seasons, joining Leeman Bennett as the only Falcons coaches to leave with a winning record.

On his way out, he vowed to be an NFL head coach again — and remain one for 20 more years.

"It's the fabric of my life," he said.

He had two interviews with the Dolphins about replacing Nick Saban, but instead returned to his boyhood home of Seattle. His father, Jim, the former coach of the Saints and Colts, was an assistant in the 1970s under Don James at the University of Washington. The younger Mora was a walk-on linebacker for the Huskies in the early '80s.

Mora bided his time for two seasons as an overqualified Seahawks defensive assistant. Then Seattle hired him as Holmgren's replacement for 2009. An awkward, coach-in-layaway plan played out last season.

"I've been looking forward to being back on the sideline in that role," Mora said. "I think there'll be an adjustment period ... probably throughout the preseason. But I'm excited."

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